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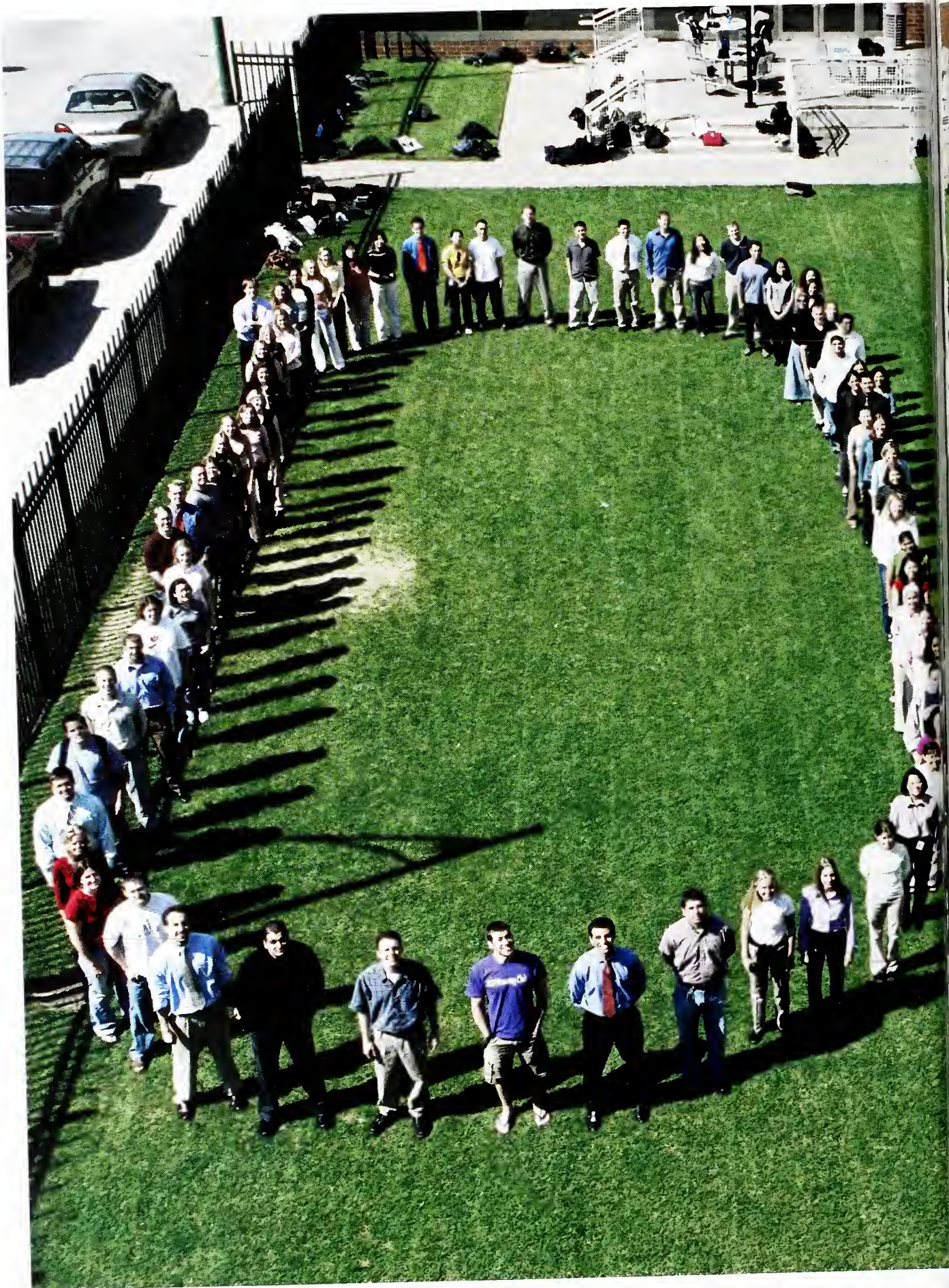


"Make me proud guys!"



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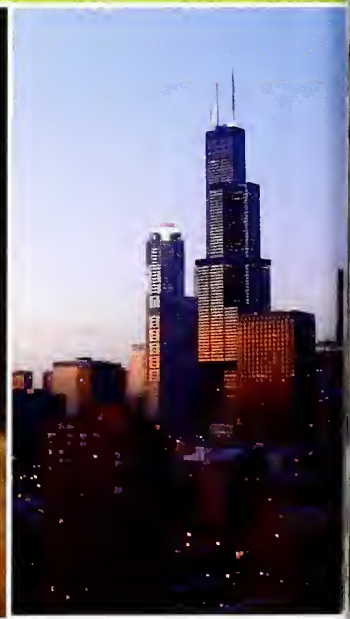
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Class of 2004

CHI TOWN!!!



Thanks to Dr. Maino for the use of his amazing Chicago shots!!

CHI TOWN!!!



Out in Chi town



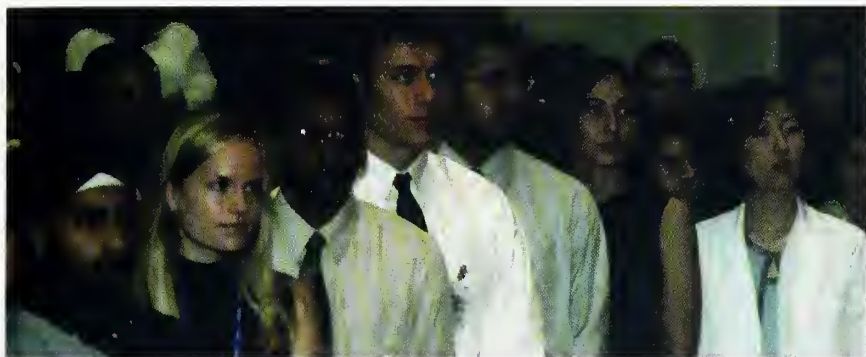
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White Coat Ceremony

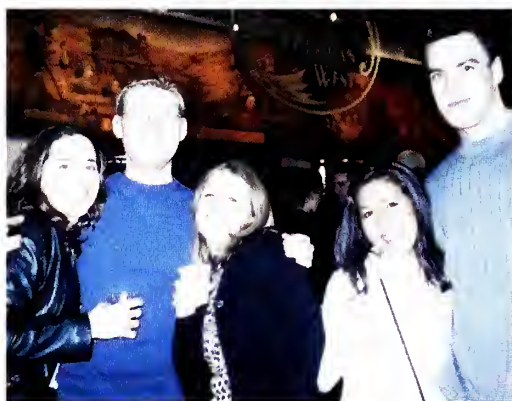


White Coat Ceremony



First Year Memories

AUGUST 2000-
MAY 2001





Second Year Memories







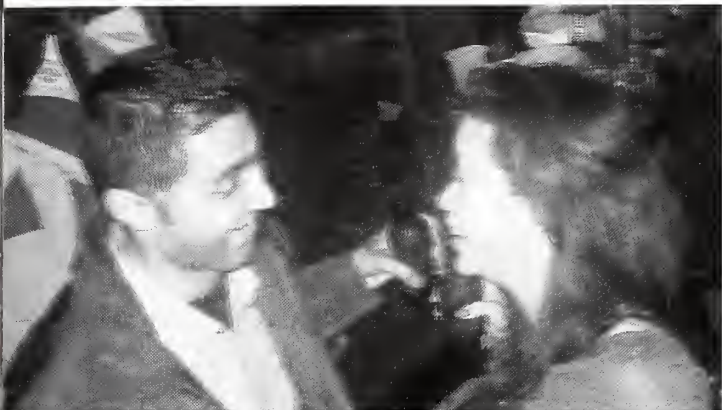
Third Year Memories





FOURTH YEAR MEMORIES

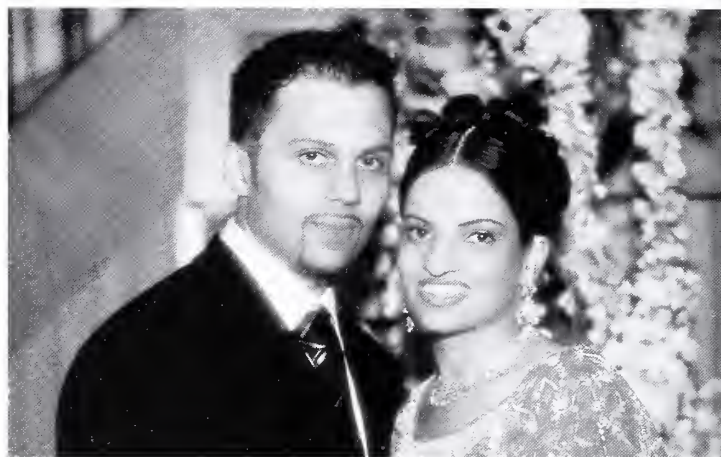




OUR EXTENDED



JOHN & CHRISTIE COTTLE



KAMAL & RAJA



BUGS (SCOTT) & JEN ~ save the date: June 5, 2004



NATE & CRISTINA B-W

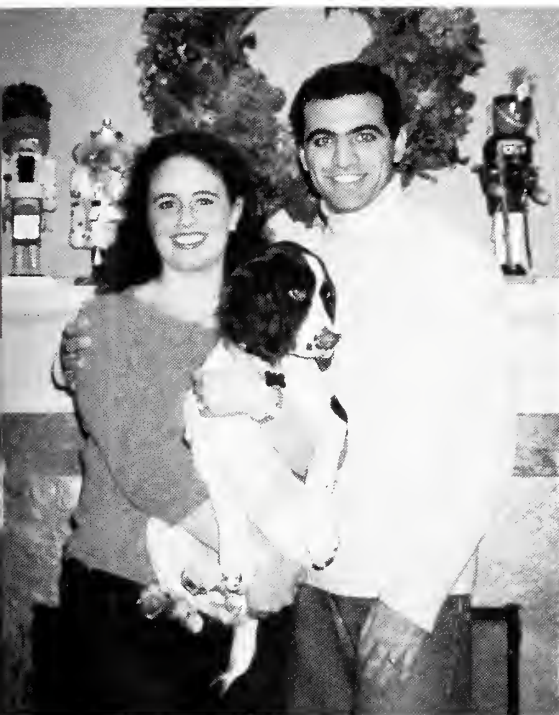


HAJIRA & NAVEED ~ wed on July 27, 2003



KRISTEL & BEN - to be wed July 2004

ICO FAMILY



KAMRAN & JENNY AHRAR
and RUBY!



GRISHMA & PREMAL



RICHARD & DORIS HUNTER



DIANE & KHUONG
engagement party Aug. 2002



SANAZ & MOHAMMAD
wed on July 22, 2000

Optometric Oath

*Before God and this assembly,
I solemnly pledge that I will faithfully and conscientiously
administer the art and science of optometry.*

*I will keep inviolate all confidences entrusted to me as a practitioner
and conduct all doctor-patient relationships
in an ethical and professional manner.*

*I will place the treatment of all who need vision care
above financial consideration.*

I will uphold and promote the ideals of the optometric profession.

*I will do all in my power to improve my knowledge of optometry
and increase the extent of my contribution to the
health and welfare of society.*

I will render, to the best of my ability, complete optometric service.

*I will do my utmost to serve my country and community faithfully,
as an optometrist, as a citizen.*

*I will strive by action and deed to honor the title
bestowed upon me this day.*

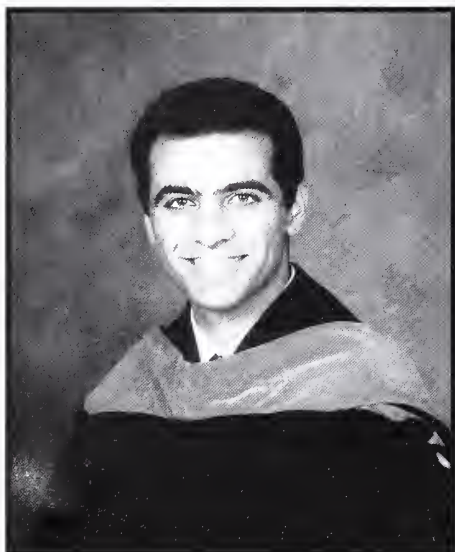
*With firm resolution and high resolve,
I proudly dedicate my work to the betterment of human vision
and my life to the service of humanity.*

*And may God watch over me, and keep me steadfast,
in the due performance of this my solemn oath and obligation.*



*The One Hundred
Sixty-First Convocation
of the
Illinois College of Optometry
May 18, 2004*





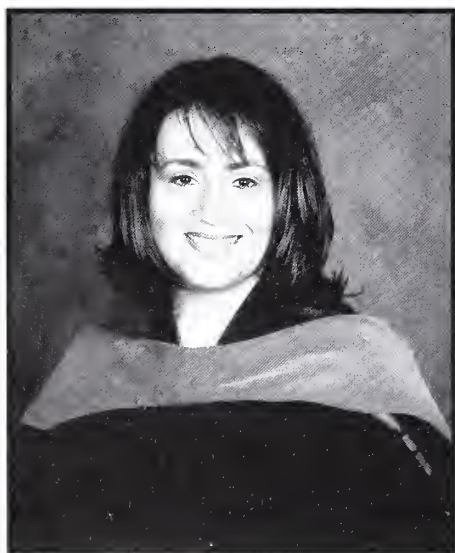
Kamran Ahrar, O.D.

Woodbury, MN
Minnesota State University, Mankato
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th year Class Representative

I would like to thank my family & friends for putting up with my busy schedule!



Special thanks to my wife Jennifer...



Luminita L. Ardelean, O.D.

Bellflower, CA
University of California at Santa Barbara
Multicultural Association

Dear Lumie,

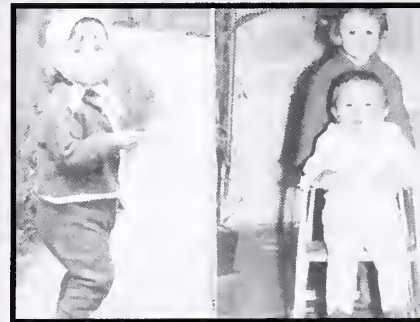
As you accept your new responsibilities with great enthusiasm, we are reminded of your passion for making a difference in the lives of those around you. We are proud of you and your accomplishments, and excited about your plans, ideas, and inspirations!

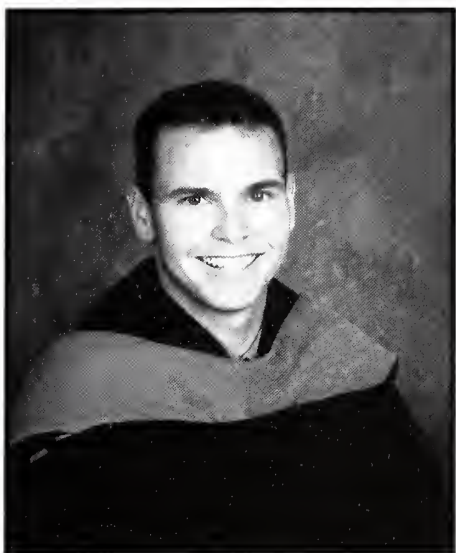
As you proceed with your career, we'll be there to celebrate future successes, and just when things get tougher and tougher we'll be there to watch you persevere.

Congratulations, Lumie! You're reaching your goals with every bit of effort and passion you put forth!

Love,
Mom, Dad and Illy

"Whatever you can do or dream you can do, begin it. Boldness has genius, power and magic in it."



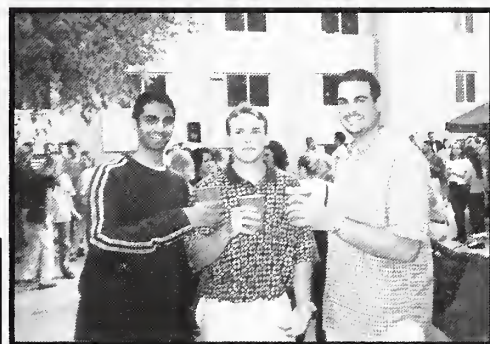


Charles C. Assell III, O.D.

Maple Park, IL
Augustana College
Intramurals, Optirock, AOA



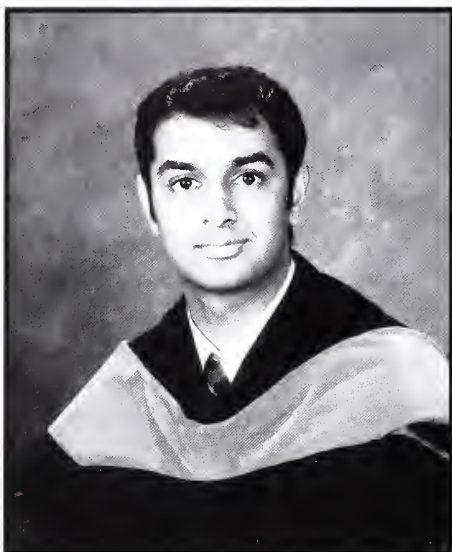
Dr. Charles C. Assell III
Dreams do come true.
Congratulations, we are so proud
of you and all that you've accom-
plished. A lifetime of success
awaits you, if you let God lead the
way.
WE LOVE YOU,
Your Family



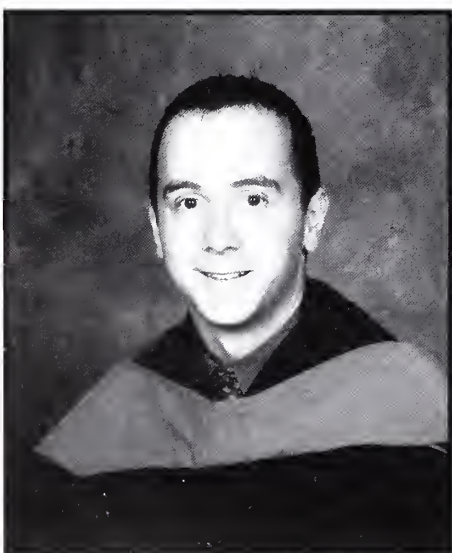
Karina Babayeva, O.D.

Chicago, IL
Loyola University - Chicago
Contact Lens Society





Neil K. Bajaj, O.D.



Sam D. Baker, O.D.

Glen Ellyn, IL
Northern Illinois University

Sam,
Congratulations to you on the successful completion of all your hard work. We are so proud of you and pleased that you have achieved your goal. You have our continued support in all your endeavors. Our hope is that you continue to be blessed with a happy life as we are blessed to have you as our son.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Erin Marie Balko-Rivera, O.D.

Great Falls, MT

University of North Dakota

Private Practice Club, Contact Lens Society, SVOSH

More people should be like our Erin, both as a person and as a student. She has been goal oriented since she first decided, at age 10, to be an optometrist. Her work ethic, especially related to school, was amazing to me. The first thing she did when she got home from school was to get comfortable and do home-work. Even with distractions she could persevere. Cheerleading - up early to practice to be as close to perfect as possible. Through college she volunteered and worked retail and studied.

That is our Erin, a loving, giggly, helpful person. You always feel uplifted when you hear her laughter and see her joyful eyes. She personifies a word from an old Disney movie. She has "stick to it tivity"



Always all the best to Erin and God Bless.

A loving and proud grandmother, Orillia M. Balko and uncle Mick



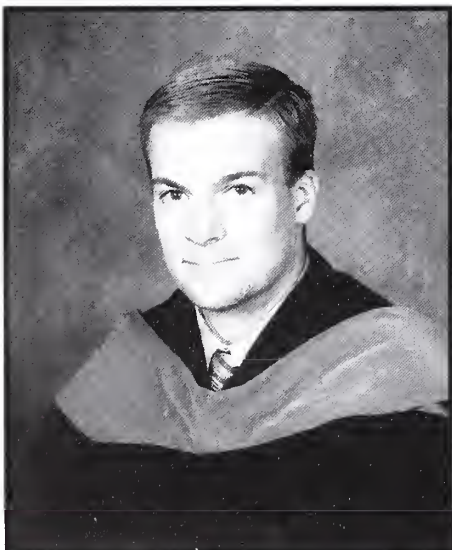
Seema Beri, O.D.





Melissa L. Binder, O.D.

Youngstown, OH
Ohio State University
Contact Lens Society



Jeffery D. Birdsong, O.D.

To Our Son, Jeff,
Congratulations!

We have always been very proud of you and your accomplishments, and now we are very HONORED to call you DOCTOR BIRDSONG, OD. You have taken our family names to a higher level. The Grandpas are smiling from above. We are all very proud of you.

What a wonderful young man you are! You have chosen a Profession of Service to help others. Your faith, sensitivity and compassion will help you take good care of your parents. your education and experience will give you the expertise needed. God Bless You, Jeff, and your patients.

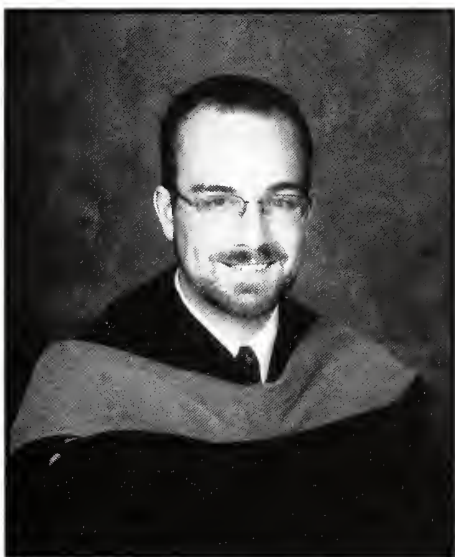
With Great Pride and Love,
Mom & Dad



Amy M. Birr, O.D.



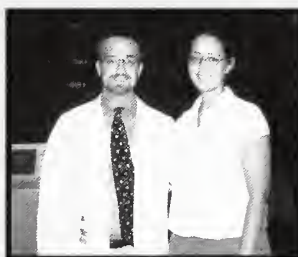
Some people come into our lives and quickly go. Some stay for a while and leave footprints on our hearts. And we are never ever the same.

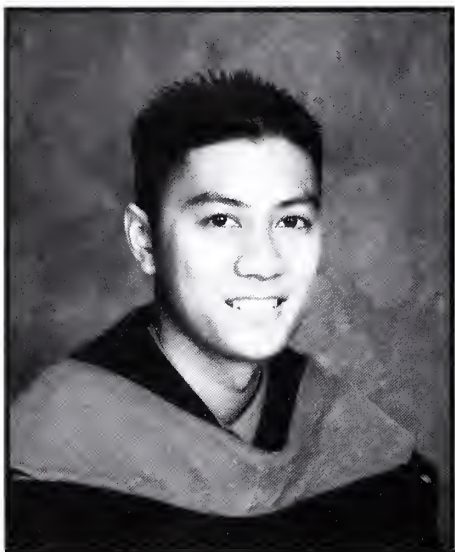


Nathan J. Bonilla-Warford, O.D.

University Florida

Captain Video





Cory J. Bosanko, O.D.

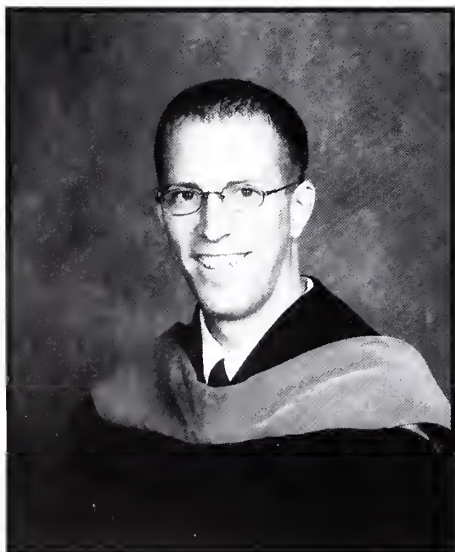
Gettysburg, SD
University of South Dakota

Cory,

Today is the first day of the rest of your life! Your dreams, your aspirations and your visions are about to become a reality. You have had challenges and have overcome obstacles along the way. Your determination and eagerness to pursue a career in optometry have given you a career that is both rewarding and presents challenges. We have walked beside you throughout your life and could only hope for your happiness and success. We wish you the very best in your new insight of optometry. Know that we love you, stand beside you and are so very proud of you. Our thoughts will always be with you. Remember to always follow your dreams!

Love you always

Gary and Jolene Bosanko



Tom Bui, O.D.

Houston, TX
Texas A&M University

Dear Cat,

Mom and Dad are very proud of you.

Love you,

Ba, Me, Anh Hai & Chi Ba

Houston, Texas



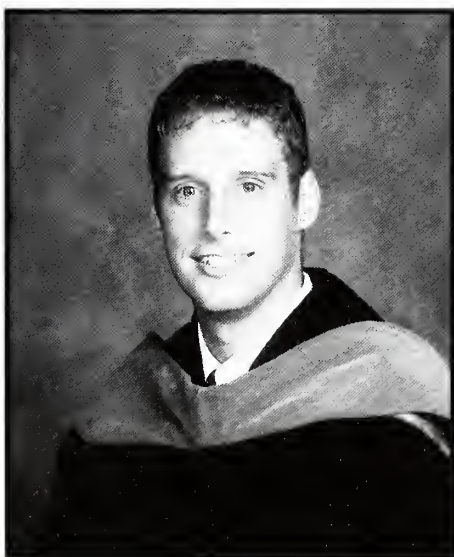
Jacqueline A. Burkhardt, O.D.

**Hampstead, MD
Boston College**

BSK Honor Society, Council on Ethics and Professionalism, Tutor, Tomb&Key Society



I can't express enough thanks to my friends and family whom have seen me through all these years of school. A special thanks to my Mom for all of her support, inspiration, and encouragement. The best of luck to all my class mates!

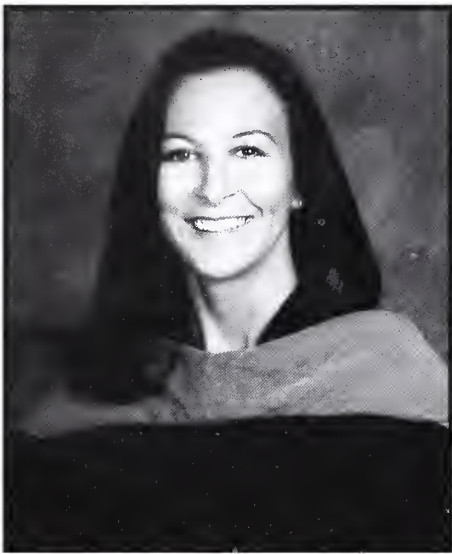


John L. Calderwood, O.D.

Dear Son,

Congratulations for achieving one of your dreams! To say that we are proud of you would be an enormous understatement. We rejoice with you son! Whenever we read D&C 138:55-56 we see a complete delineation of you and your life. You were ushered into our home and have honored us with your membership in our family. From there you have moved onto the stage of history at this particular time. Now you will go and meet your rendezvous with your destiny. The hopes and dreams of many, see and unseen journeys with you in all you do.

With our deepest love,
Mom and Dad



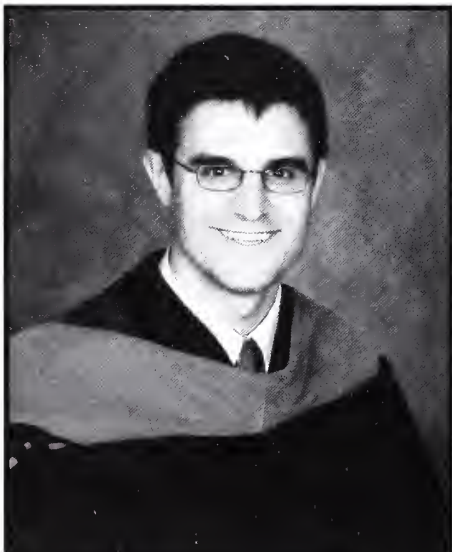
Britney Caruso, O.D.

So. Barrington, IL
Boston College

Congratulations Britney!!!!

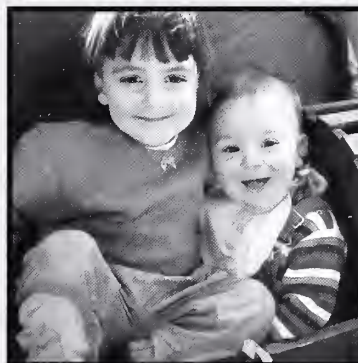
Your years of hard work, sacrifice, perseverance, and determination have finally paid off, and your dream has come true. You have faced every challenge and overcome every obstacle that life has sent your way...and you will soon be Dr. Caruso! Words can not begin to express how proud we are of you and how much we respect you for all that you have accomplished. We love you with all of our hearts and wish you nothing but the very best as you begin your life as an O.D. The future is yours. Enjoy the journey!

Mom, Dad, Tony, and Luigi



Kevin Cassar, O.D.

Davisburg, MI
Michigan State University





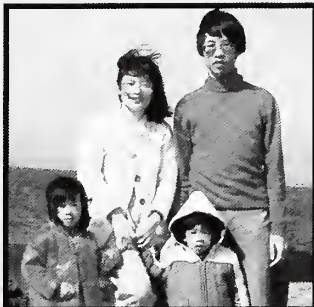
Ceida Chan, O.D.

Sugar Land, TX

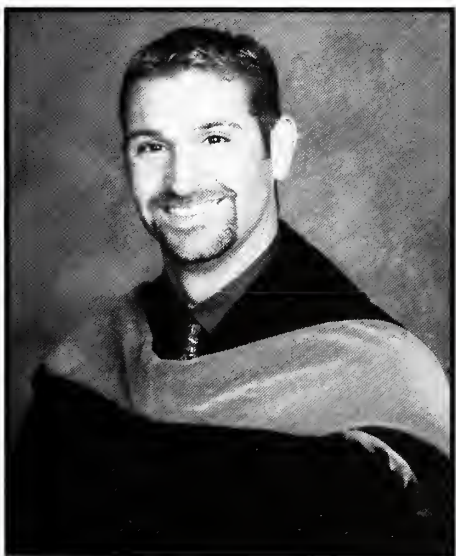
Northwestern University

SVOSH, Tomb and Key, Beta Sigma Kappa,
Multicultural Association, CL Society, COVD

*Our heartfelt congratulations, Ceida, with much love
and pride in all your successes throughout the years
Mom, Dad, and Cy*



*I have been very lucky in life: good
family, good friends, fun city, the
affections of one of Chicagos best jugglers,
and a choice profession. Thanks ICO!*



Michael Chernich, O.D.

Chicago, IL

Northern Illinois University
Tutor





Vira Chiaradia, O.D.



Caroline Choe, O.D.

**Silver Spring, Maryland
Bryn Mawr College**

AOSA, AOA-PAC, CL Society, COVD, FCO



*Caroline,
Our wonderful
daughter, Congratulations
on your graduation. You are so
precious to us. Trust
in God always and have
confidence. And enjoy
the present moment of
life.*

Mom & Dad



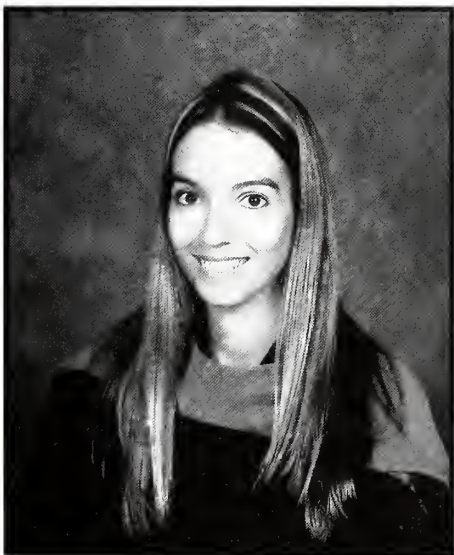
Friends & Family,

*Thanks for all your constant
love, support and prayers!*





Grace Choi, O.D.



Stephanie Coates, O.D.

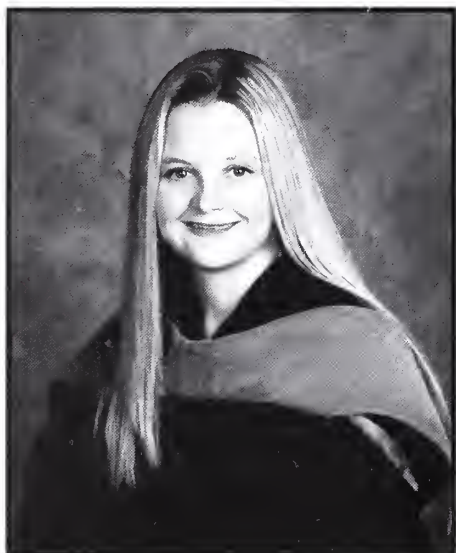
Plano, IL

Augustana College

Illinois State University

SVOSH, Comittee on Ethics and Advancement of
Professionalism, CL Society





Karen Marie Collins, O.D.

Noblesville, IN
 Indian State University
 AOA-PAC, AOSA, CL Society

Karen,

Congratulations, you made it. If we had one wish for parents everywhere, it would be that they all could experience the joy and privilege of raising a child like you. You have added a dimension to our lives that words alone could never explain. We constantly marvel at your accomplishments. We don't know why, you have always been dedicated and focused. The thing we are most proud of, is through all your successes, you have remained the same Karen. The one we have loved, and been proud of for years.

May God bless you, and give you guidance and courage. We love you.

Mom & Dad

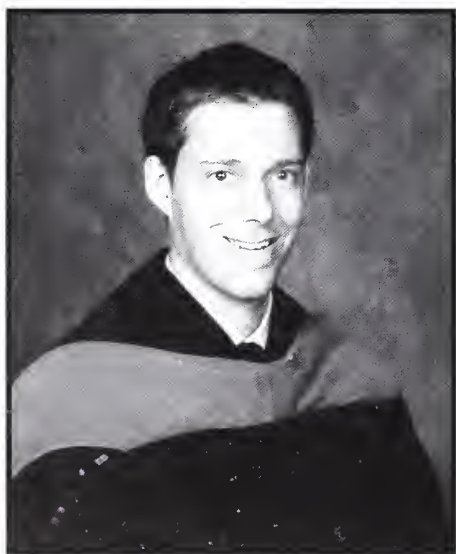


Class of 2004: Life is precious, live it to the fullest. Good Luck!

Dad, Mom, Amy, Chubby, Klink & Shorty: Thanks for the love, support and patience.

Brian: Forever and ever...and ever and ever!

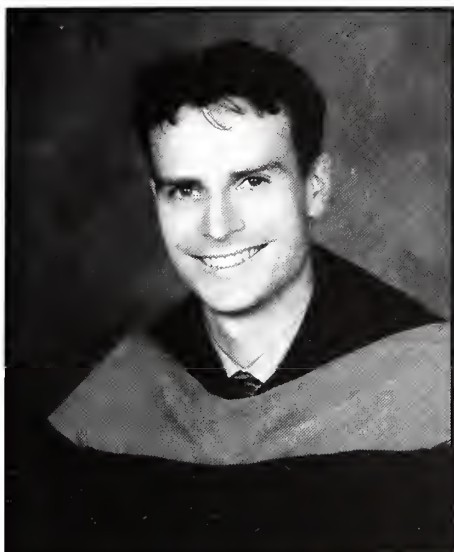
-Karen



John Cottle, O.D.

Shorview, MN
 Michigan Tech
 AAO-Student chapter president, AOSA, BSK





David James Coward, O.D.

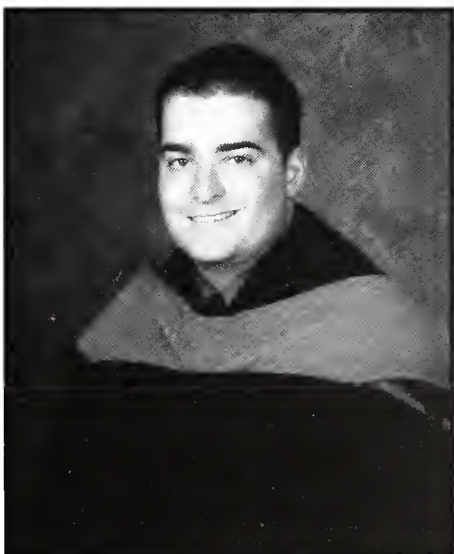
Trenton, Ontario
University of Toronto

Parting words: There's not much to say that ain't been said, so I'll just stick to a thanks. Robbie, Jinger, Ryano, thanks for the advice and good times. Sant, Chernick, Boz, Bugs and others, I always looked forward to keepin' it real at Puffers. Switak, Stacy and Casper thanks for puttin' up with me being underfoot all the time. I wish everyone the best in building the practice and life of their dreams.

Hyl



Set goals, see them through, enjoy the rewards and start a new chapter.



Nathan A. Crouch, O.D.

Galesburg, IL
Knox College
BSK, Tomb & Key, Alternative Refractions Club,
FCO, CL Society

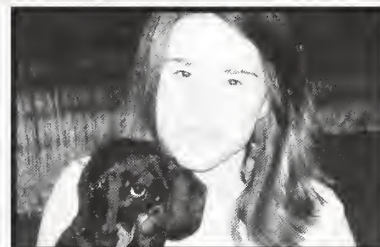
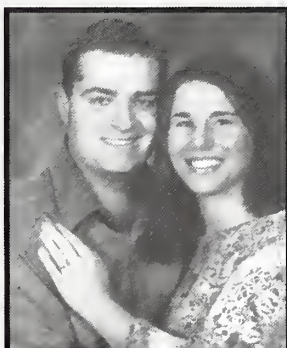


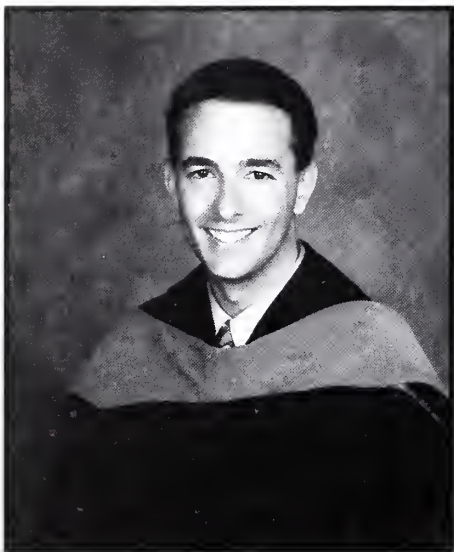
Nathan,

No words can describe the pride we have in the young man you have become. Congratulations and best wishes in your new profession!

We love you,

Mom & Dad





Calvin D. Dalton II, O.D.



Dear Calvin,

To say how proud of you we are does not begin to express the feelings we both have about what you have accomplished in your lifetime. The decisions you have made to bring you to this point are without a doubt stupendous. The sacrifices you have made, the determination you have displayed, and the patience you have shown. Throughout your journey shall be forever admired by your entire family. You are a perfect roll model for your younger brothers and all others that you come into contact with. Thank you, Calvin, for all that you are and all that you will be.

All our love forever, Mom & Dad



Lydia Doud, O.D.

Dearest Lydia:

Congratulations on completing the course of your study in Optometry. It's hard to believe it happened so fast and those years you were away from us went by. We missed you everyday you were away from us. You are always in our hearts and we were looking at a brighter future for you. With your efforts, dedication, strength, and diligence you made it. Alleluia.

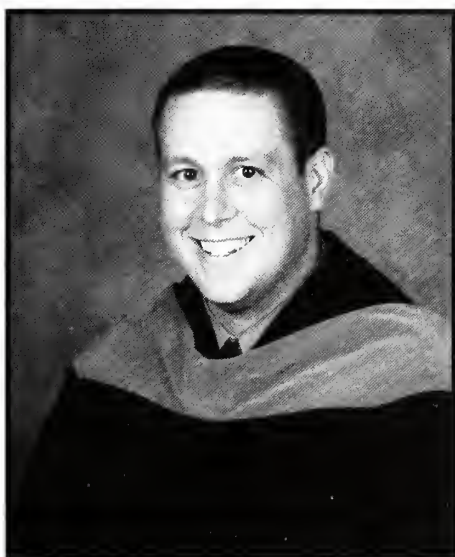
Yesterday you were "LOOLY" our baby (Roh Umno). Today you are still LOOLY and little more, we are proud to call you Dr. Daoud. You earned it. We wish you success in all your endeavors and a very happy and prosperous life where all your wishes come true. In the end we offer thanks to our Lord almighty and we thankfully say "The Lord has done great things for us; whereof we are glad".

Mom, Dad and Sis.





Jill Davids, O.D.



Ryan De Mares, O.D.

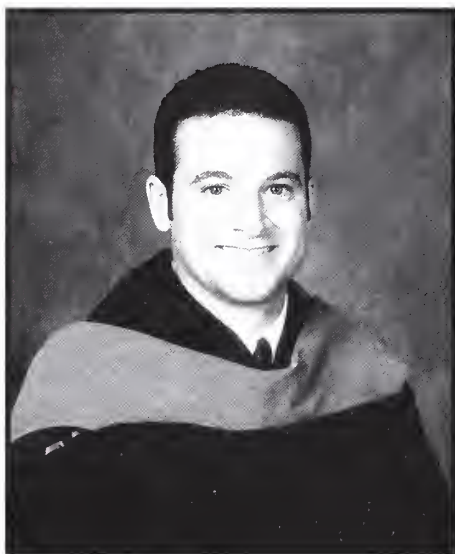


Congratulations Ryan,

May your tomorrows be bright and happy! Your hard work, dedication, and determination have made your dream come true. You have the qualities parents hope their child will possess. Your caring, sincerity, and loyalty towards family and friends will take you far in your life. We commend you on your current accolades and your future endeavors. You are a loving, considerate and warmhearted son and brother. We love you dearly and are extremely proud of you.

*Love,
Mon, Dad, and Leah*

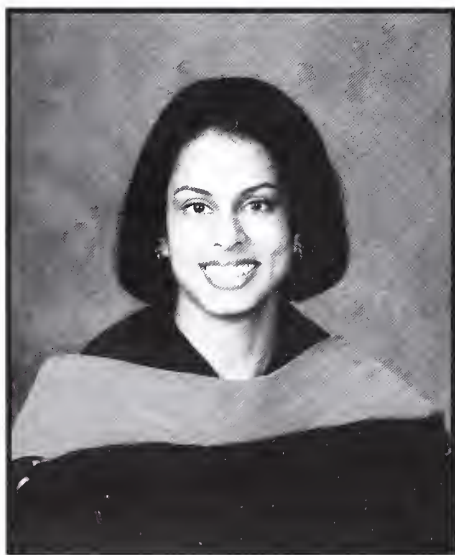




Michael S. Demers, O.D

Storm Lake, Iowa
Buena Vista University
BSK, Tomb and Key

"GRADES ARE IN"



Deepa Rajendra Desai, O.D.

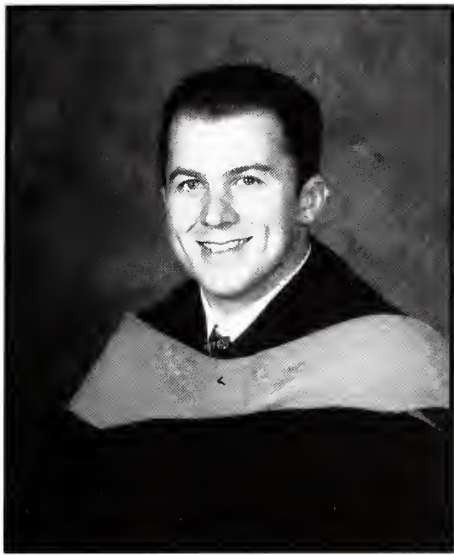
Orlando, FL
University of Florida
CL Society, Multicultural Society



Dance like no one is watching,
Sing like no one is listening,
Love like you've never been hurt,
and live like it's heaven on earth.
- unknown

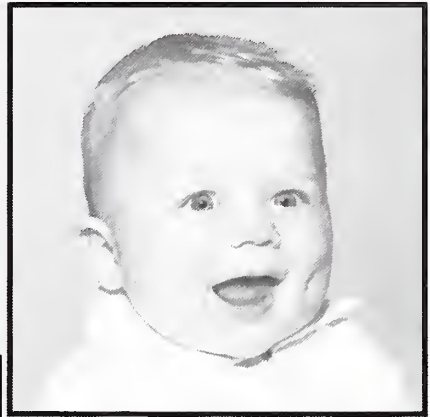


Dear Deepa,
Congratulations our beautiful,
precious baby!! First you went from
fearing slides to loving wild roller
coasters. Then you tried to go to mars
and the moon. But outer space raised
our brows; so we are overjoyed that
you have now become an optometrist.
Looking back at it, we see that the tube
light was actually working-and really
well. You never complained about the
difficulties of all the challenges you
undertook and overcame; you just did
it. Your many years of hard work and
dedication have certainly paid off.
Always remember the knowledge you
obtained as a child and allow it to
guide your endeavors. We wish you
all the best and will be right by your
side every step of the way, to share the
joys of your future success. You made
it!!! And we are very proud of you.
Love always, Mom and Dad



Nikolas Diemer, O.D

Freeport, IL
Augustana College
AOSA, CL Society, Private Practice Club



Yajaira Fernandez , O.D





Laura Fredrick, O.D.

Scarborough, Ontario, Canada
University of Western Ontario
SVOSH, BSK, Tomb and Key Society, AOSA, CAOS,
Notetaker



Sara A. Fredrickson, O.D.

Bemidji, MN
University of North Dakota
SVOSH, CL, Academy, AOSA, Private Practice Club,
COVID

I would like to thank my family and friends for helping and supporting me over the last four years.



Sara,
You made it! Your hard work, determination, and faith have helped make your goal. Now that you've accomplished this milestone in your journey through life, a new one opens before you. We know that you will approach this with great confidence, for you have so much to offer.
We're so very proud of you! Celebrating this achievement with you brings two things to mind. What a wonderful God we serve, and what an incredible person you are. Congratulations! We love you! Mom and Dad



Beth Gabbard, O.D.
Fairfield, IL
Southeast Missouri State University

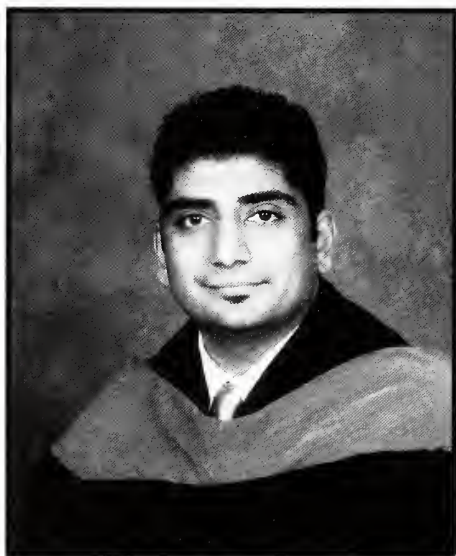


From Carolyn: Good luck in the future with love from your best friend.



From Mom and Dad: WE have always been proud of you. When you decided in the sixth grade that you wanted to be an Optometrist, who would have thought that you would stick with that goal? Whell, now that you are reaching your "Doctor Gabbard" goal, all of your family is saying a great big "Whooo-hooo"!

From Nathan: As she transcribed black dots scattered between horizontal lines into movements of fingers and hands creating a recognizable tune, I begged and begged to be taught. Unlike numerous other times when information was randomly spewed upon me. That mind has never stopped amazing me with what it can do. Every time I play the piano, and my flat finger hits a wrong note, I can thank my sister for all that she has taught me



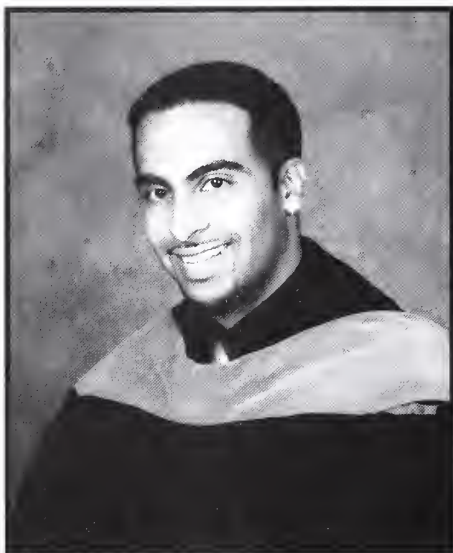
Lucky Gandham, O.D.
Vancouver, British Columbia
University of British Columbia
AOSA, AOA, Canadian Association of Optometry

What can I say, look at us now! We're done, and what a ride it's been. The last 4 years have been an experience of a lifetime and I wouldn't have traded it for the world. To each one of you that I got the chance to know, it was an absolute pleasure and I thank you very much for all the good time, Good Times! To all, it's an honor to call you my colleagues. To my family, thank you for all your love, support and patience. Congratulations Class of 2004, you came, you saw, you conquered and to that I raise my glass. I wish you all nothing but the best and always remember to live life to the fullest, because you only live it once.



To Lucky,

We are all very proud of you and your accomplishment. Your determination to succeed has been proven by your hard work and strength. You have sacrificed so much to reach your goal of becoming an optometrist, and we would like you to know that we admire your ability to stay grounded and dedicated to reaching your dream. We look forward to having you home and we wanted you to know that we love you and we are extremely proud of your achievement.
Love, The Gandham Family



Tarndip S. Gandham, O.D.

Dear Tarndip our pride, a great confidence in your capabilities, success and competence.
 May "Waheguru" be with you in cloud and sunshine
 May sky be your limit and end be the horizon
 May "Guru Nanak's" message of love be your wealth
 May you be blessed to share that in good health
 May your heart be filled with glory of the "Guru"
 May your richness be love for humanity all through
 May the great heritage be thy foundation
 Achieving life's goals be one of graduation
 Remember Babaji, who was great in every factor
 How thrilled he'd been to see an "Eye Doctor"
 Congratulations! Congratulations!! Congratulations!!!
 Blessings! Blessings!! Blessings!!!

Jasbir Singh
 Tejinder Kaur



Katie Garvey, O.D.

St. Paul, MN
 College of St. Benedict
 SZ, COVD, AOSA, SVOSH

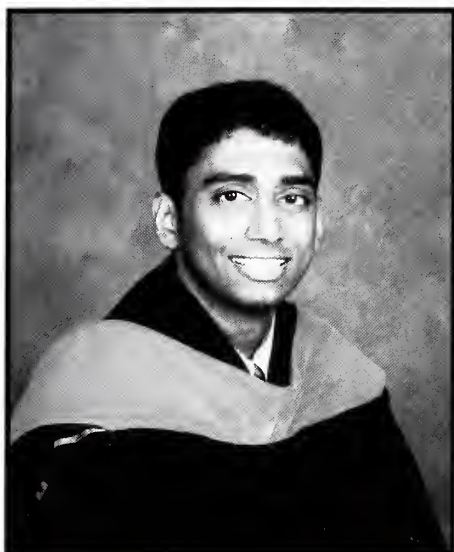


Congratulations Kate!

We are so proud of you!
 You're a beautiful young woman
 with a delightful personality.
 Because of your hard work
 you've achieved your goal. We
 know your determination and
 ability to focus will get you
 anywhere you decide to go.



Love,
 Mom, Dad and Chris



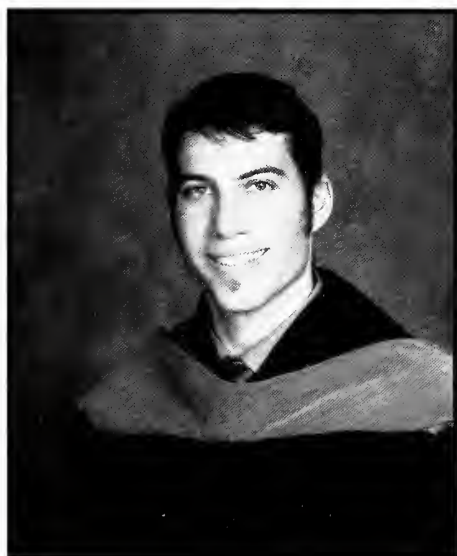
John Geevarghese, O.D.



To Joel, our wonderful son,

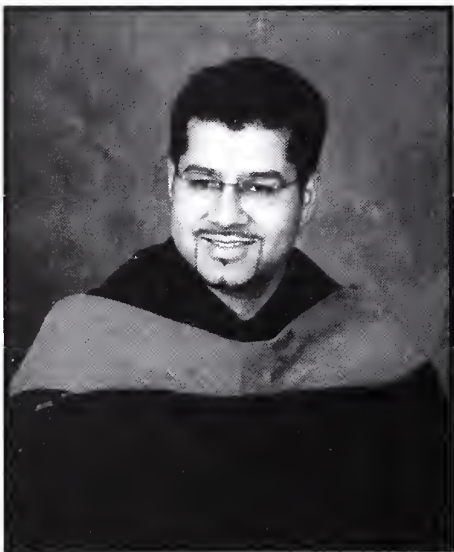
We wish to congratulate you on another great accomplishment. We have enjoyed watching you grow from an eager and enthusiastic young boy to an eager and enthusiastic young man. When we look back at your life, we think you can be described as a resourceful, resilient, Renaissance man. Resourceful, from making your own scuba equipment to building a home theatre. Resilient, in recovering from black belt training, high speed rollovers, bike wrecks and high school in Garrett County. And we can call you Renaissance man because you tackle so many new challenges, and you consider learning to be a life-style. Keep God foremost in your priorities, and you will continue to prosper. We love you.

Dad and Mom



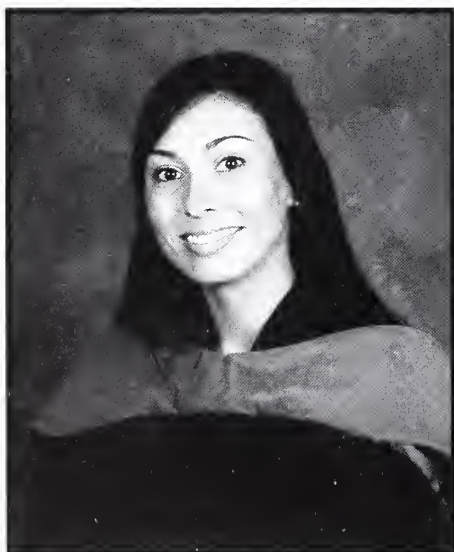
Joel Thomas Getty, O.D.

Deep Creek Lake, MD
Grove City College, PA
FCO, Run Club, Polar Bear RUN



Sukhdev S. Gill O.D.

Edmonton, Canada
Concorda College
AOA Pac, CL Society, AOSA

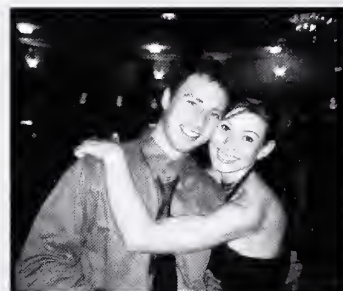


Jennifer M. Gudas, O.D.

Winamac, Indiana
Purdue University
AOSA, CL Society, Yearbook

Congratulations Jennifer...You have been the joy of our lives, we are so very proud of you and all your accomplishments. It is wonderful how dedicated you are on all your endeavors. From your earliest years you showed and kept the abilities of being a proud, honest, dedicated and beautiful person. You are a perfectionist in a good way, which is why you try so hard to accomplish what you do. You couldn't have two more proud parents. All our love, Mom, Dad and Christine

Dearest Jennifer, so its graduation time again, congratulations. We knew you would make it, even though it wasn't easy, nothing is. You always accomplish no matter what it is. So keep up the good work and always finish what you start. Like they say, if a task is once begun never leave it till its done. Be the person big or small do it well or not at all. Love ya dearly, Grammie

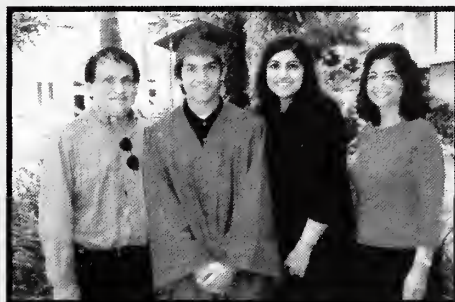




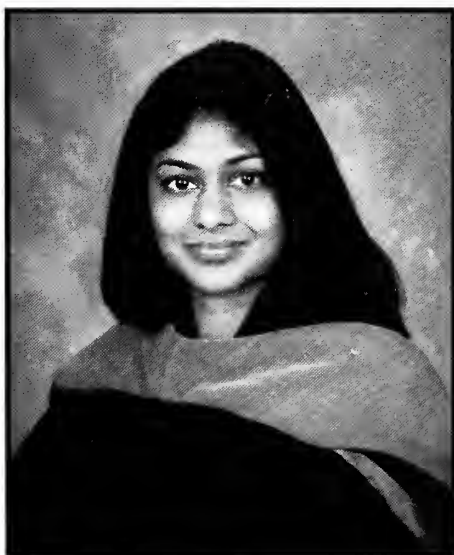
Mala Gundecha, O.D.

Raleigh, NC
 UNC-Chapel Hill
 AOSA, CL society, Yearbook

*Dear Mala,
 We thank God for blessing us to have you as
 our precious daughter. No words can express
 our love and pride for you. Through hard
 work, dedication and perseverance you have
 grown into a wonderful, caring and considerate
 girl. You have always put a smile on our faces
 with your playful and humorous nature. Now
 that you have achieved your dream, we wish
 you all the very best for the future. We will
 always be here for you as you begin your future
 as an optometrist. Congratulations Mala!
 Love, Dad, Mom and Shanup*



Love to all family and friends, for their love and support.



Neel K Gupta, O.D.

Flint, MI
 University of Michigan
 SVOSH



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Theresa Haas, O.D.

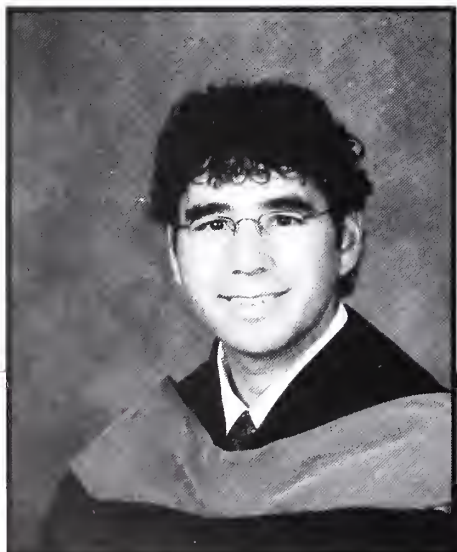
Trenton, IL
Southern Illinois University @
Edwardsville

Dearest Theresa (Terri)

The abundant pride we have for you can hardly be put into words enough to convey that amount. We always were sure you would accomplish all and more of what it has taken these past 4 years. Being away from home has been hard, but it has only made you stronger and put you closer to achieving anything you put your heart and mind into doing. With your deep faith and putting these 4 years into God's hands, you could have done nothing less than reach your goal. We love you dearly.

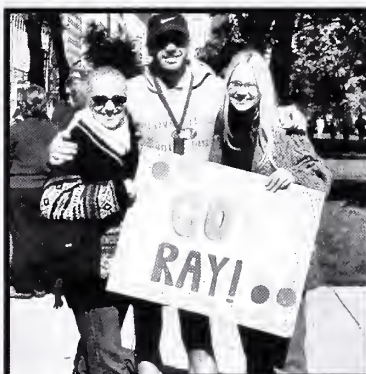
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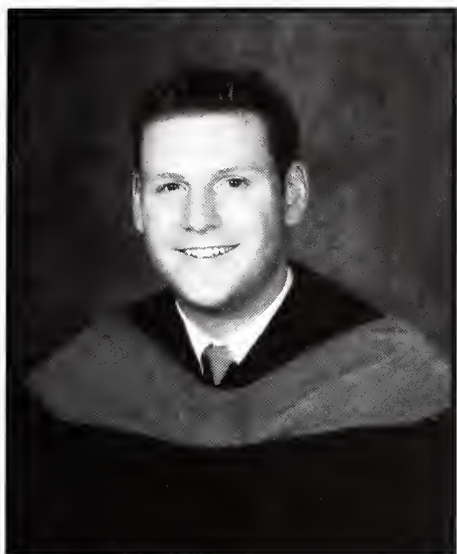
Love, Mom and Dad



Ryan G. Haiar, O.D.

Mitchell, SD
University of South Dakota
AOSA Trustee, ASCO National Liason, 4th year
class rep, Gold Key Int'l Honor Society officer,
AAO, AOA, AOA-PAC, ARVO, CLCS, COVD,
IOA, Multicultura Association, Private Practice
Club, SA, SVOSH (Honduras 2003)





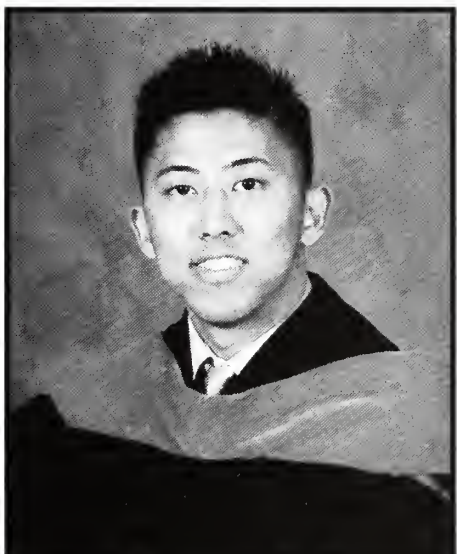
David B Hammes, O.D.

Fond du Lac, WI
Saint Louis University

Words can only partially convey the feelings of excitement, pride and enthusiasm that we share with you on your graduation. Part of that feeling comes from our knowing the sacrifice and hard work that you've put into eight years of higher education. The other part comes from watching you as you've grown into a new person, accepting the responsibility that accompanies your chosen profession of optometry. Thirty years ago when I started my first year of practice I could not have imagined at that point a son or daughter entering the same profession I had chosen. You have been diligent in your search for your life's work having looked at many possible careers. Thus the fact that you chose optometry brings on great satisfaction and when you ascend the stage to receive your doctorate degree it will be a defining moment we will always cherish.



Congratulations David!
Love, Mom and Dad



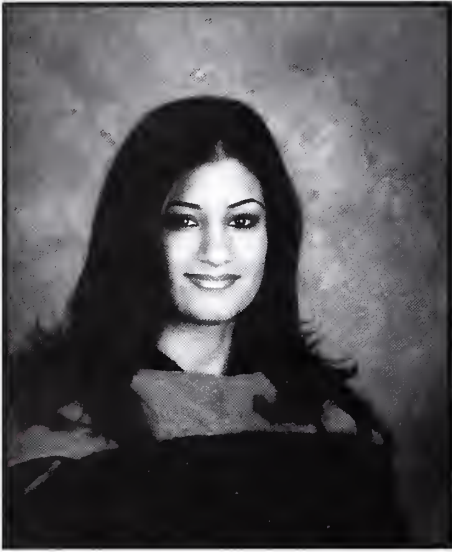
Jing Han, O.D.

Sacramento, CA
California State University of
Sacramento
CL Society, California Club



It has been an amazing 4 years of adventures and growth. I feel that I could not have proceeded in a better way that with my friends that I have made here in Chicago. Thank you all for sharing this journey with me. I would also like to thank my Uncles, Aunts, Mom, Dad, Stepmom, Cousins, Sister, and Grandma for helping me achieve my accomplishments through encouragement, love, and moral support. Since the moment I realized that all of you were totally rooting for me, I was immediately rewarded with the feeling of great success and achievement. Thank you guys so much for that. I hope that everyone will keep in touch and I will try my best to remember all that I have learned in the last 4 years. I wish happiness and success to everybody! and if anyone is ever around Sacramento, please stop by.





Selma Hannoun, O.D.

Hickory Hills, IL
Loyola University Chicago

To our daughter Selma,

We are so proud of you. We consider ourselves fortunate to have been there as your goal flourished into reality. You should be proud of yourself that twenty years of schooling, hard work, and dedication didn't go in vain. Above all we would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for making us the proud parents we have always been and always will be. Congratulations, you did it!

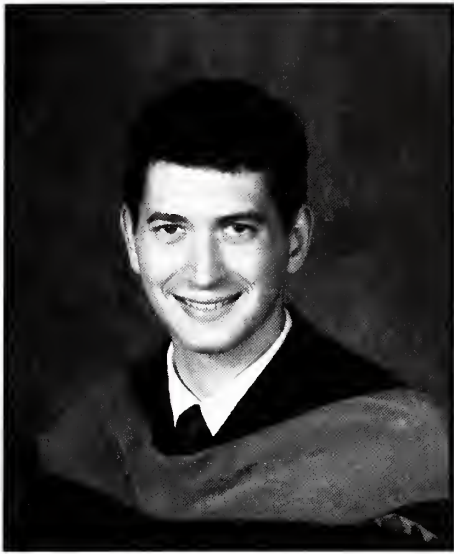
MOM and DAD



Amal M. Hassan, O.D.

Crown Point, IN
Indiana University - Bloomington
Contact Lens Society, Muslim Student Association,
AOSA, AOA

Thanks for my family and friends for your support!



John R. Herbolsheimer, O.D.

Omaha, NE
Drake University
CL Society, Beta Sigma Kappa



Serena D. Ho, O.D.

Northridge, CA
University of California Santa Barbara
COA, California Club, CL Society





Jennifer M. Hoepfner, O.D.

Cave Creek, AZ
 Arizona State University
 SVOSH, CL Society, AOSA, BigBrother/Big Sister

Jonathan Swift the English essayist once said, "Vision is the art of seeing things visible." If that is so, then the profession of Optometry is the science of helping people see that vision clearly. You have achieved your vision successfully.

Jennifer, we are proud of your accomplishments at the Illinois College of Optometry. You are a magnificent daughter and superb student. You have worked conscientiously and consistently from the time you began college at Arizona State University through your graduation from the Illinois College of Optometry. You deserve the best.

In your career as a Doctor of Optometry I would ask you to remember the insightful words of Helen Keller. "I long to accomplish a great and noble task, but it is my chief duty to accomplish small tasks as if they were great and noble."

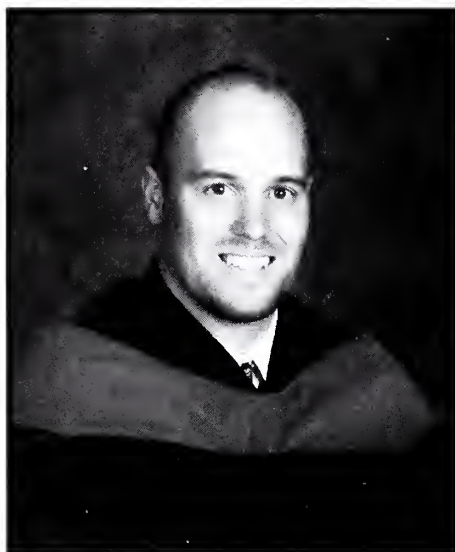
Remember, we are always here for you.

Love,

John and Cheri Hoepfner



Thanks to all the great friends and memories over the past four years. It was a wild and crazy ride.



Patrick G. Holser, O.D.

Grass Lake, MI
 Albion College
 AOSA, AOA, SVOSH, CL Society, Gold Key Honor Society, Private Practice Club

I would like to thank my parents and my wife, Sara, for their support as I pursued my doctorate of optometry. I was only able to achieve what I have with your encouragement, patience, sacrifice, and advice. I look back on my years in Chicago as times of maturity as a student, son, husband, and a healthcare professional. I can never thank you enough for helping me achieve my potential as an optometrist. I would also like to thank ICO and all of the doctors for their dedication to educating new optometrists. I hope to use the experience I gained through my classroom and clinical education as a foundation for a successful optometric career.

PJ Holser

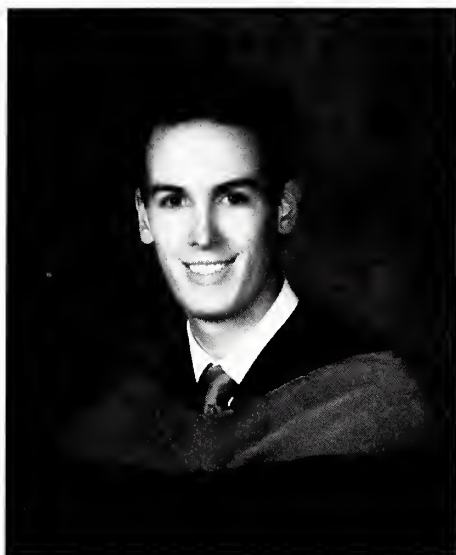
PJ,

I am so proud of you! You did it! Can you believe the day is finally here? You have reached this outstanding goal through years of hard work, dedication and perseverance.

I am very excited to begin this new chapter in our lives. We have so much to look forward to, and so much to be thankful for. I know you will be a fantastic doctor and your patients will appreciate your talents. Congratulations PJ!

Your loving wife, Sara





Andrew V. Horvath, O.D.

**Port Huron, MI
Albion College**

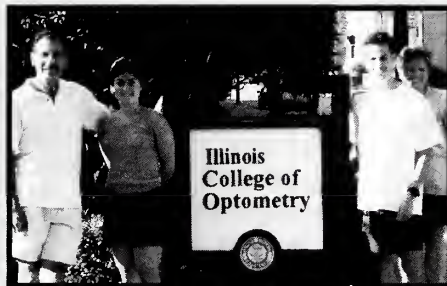
Multicult Assoc (Min. of Activities), MI Club, AOSA,
AAO, Private Practice, BSK (Secretary), CL Society



*Can you believe these four
guys are eye doctors now?!
Thanks for all the memories,
good times, and screams.*



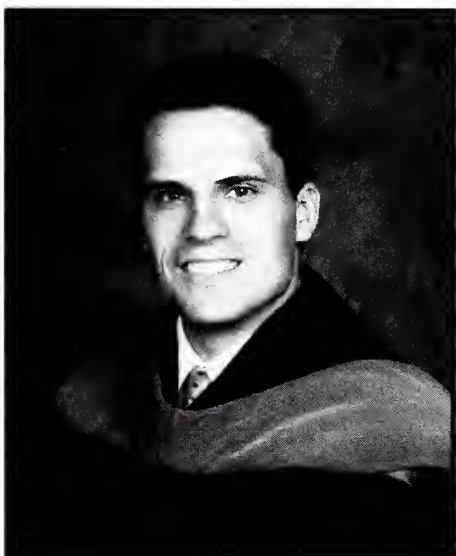
*We've come a long way. You
will never be forgotten.*



*Lawrence, Susan, and sister Rebecca,
whose love and support have carried me
through since the very beginning.*



*Special thanks to all of my
friends at ICO. I couldn't have
done it without the laughs.*

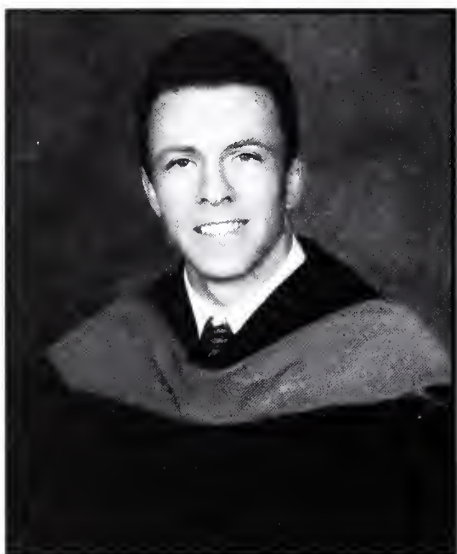


Gary T. Huber, O.D.

**Mitchell, SD
Augustana College**

*"Our son, the optometrist." Gosh, that
sounds good! When we look at you, we see
a man to be proud of. You not only have
accomplished an amazing goal with the
completion of professional school and the
opportunity for a bright future, but you also
have grown into a strong, passionate man.
You believe in the goodness of people, you
care for and love your family and friends,
and you remain steadfast in your values
and beliefs while still respecting the cultures
and religions of others. We are awed at the
man you are. Our prayers have been
answered. God bless you always. Love,
Mom and Dad*





Richard Hunter, O.D.

League City TX
University Of Texas Medical Branch
Galveston

BSK, Private Practice Club (CoChair), CL Society,
AOA-PAC, Multicultural Association, AOSA

*My Dear Son,
Congratulations on making
your lifetime dream come
true. No one deserves it more
than you. All the hard work
and perseverance finally paid
off. You achieved your goal.
Your family is in awe of all
that you've done. We wish
you many happy years ahead
and much success.
We are so proud of you and
we love you very much!!
Love, Mom and Family*



*Thank you Doris for your
never ending love &
encouragement.*



*Special thanks to my
brother, sister-in-law, niece
& nephew all of whom I
love dearly.*

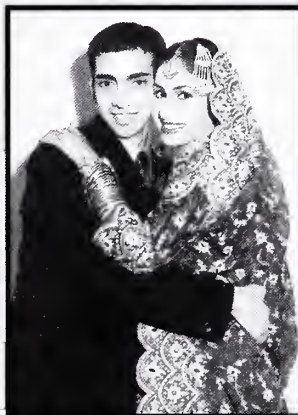


*Mom & Dad,
Words cannot express how much I love you both. Thank you
for always believing in me and making this journey possible.*



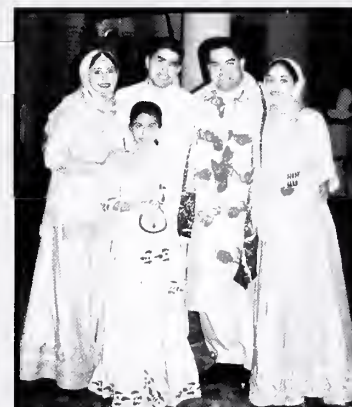
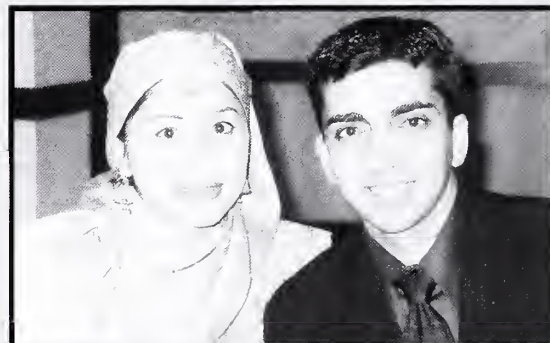
Rabia N. Javed, O.D.

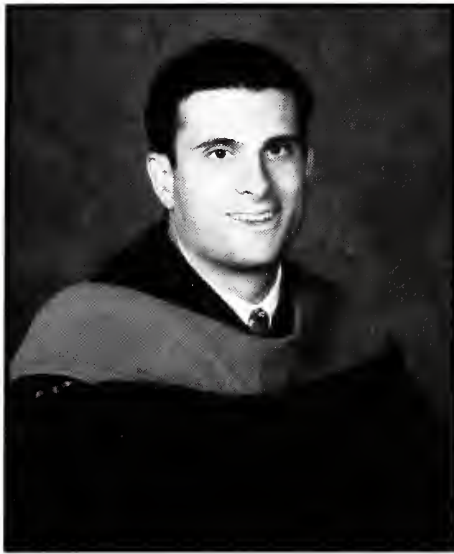
Portage, IN
Indiana University - Northwest



*Our lovely daughter Rabia,
Congratulations on your graduation.
We are very proud that you have attained
such a magnificent degree. We wish you
the very best in your life. May God
continue to bless you with happiness.*

*Love,
Your Mom and Dad*





Joshua K. Johnston, O.D.

Austin, TX
 Texas Christian University
 Contact Lens Society

Dear Josh,

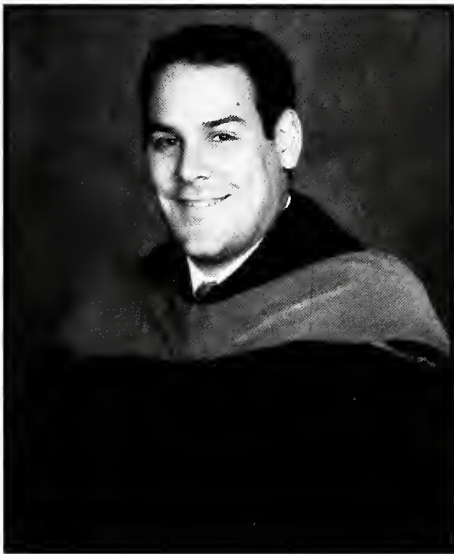
Aaron, Dad and I are so very proud of you and all that you have accomplished. You have always tried hard to do your best whether it was your studies, sports, or just being a good person. We still remember when you told us that you had decided to pursue a career in Optometry. We never doubted that you would make that dream come true, and now you have realized that dream. Words can't express how proud you have made us. You are going to be a fine doctor!

Congratulations sweetheart. We love you very much, and may God bless you.

Mom, Dad and Aaron

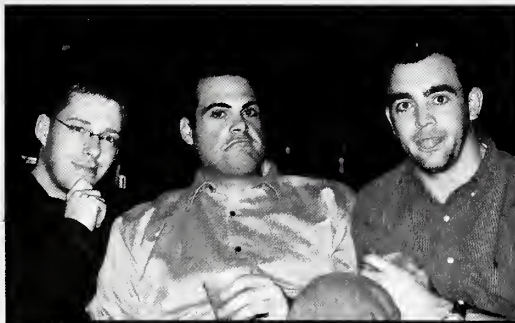
I want to personally thank my parents and my brother for their support over the past four years. I could not have done this without you all! I am very saddened to end my career as a professional student, but there comes a time when we must grow up and face the real world. I would also like to thank my lovely wife and kids for their support. I am not married yet, nor do I have kids, but maybe someday I will and they can appreciate how hard I worked. And lastly, I want to thank the librarian assistant for her enduring patience, kindness, and for her little reminders when checking out books, "four hours, no renewals."

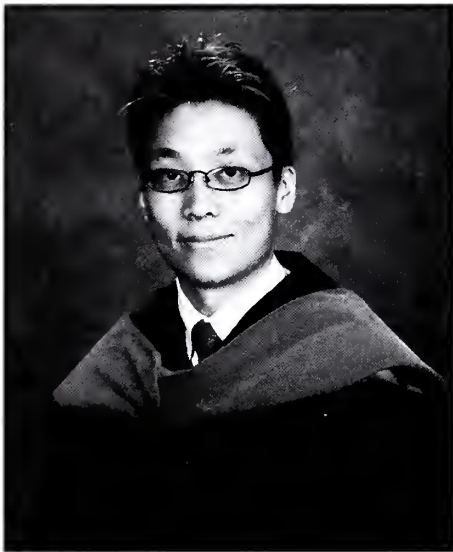
Sincerely,
 Josh Johnston



Chad D. Kalil, O.D.

Williston, ND
 North Dakota State University
 AOSA





Sam Kang, O.D.

Iowa City, IA
University of Iowa

Our son Sam Kang came to America when he was just fourteen and soon became enrolled at Washington High School in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Being Korean resulted in English Second Language class and was often very difficult. In regular classes, his teachers talked too fast for him to understand, so he wrote down what they had on the blackboard and looked it all up when he got home. Each school night consisted of many hours of trying to understand the reading assignments with a constantly used dictionary near and open at all times. His work did pay off as he graduated high school in 3 years with a perfect grade point and many honors. He was so focused on coming to ICO that his graduation from the University of Iowa was no big deal to him. Graduation day at ICO is a big deal!

Congratulations, Sam! We're very proud of you and the great job you've done!!!



Kathleen M. Kasmer, O.D.

Orland Park, IL
Saint Mary's College

Thanks to all my friends and family who have supported me all these years! I could not have made it through without you! Best of luck to all my colleagues!



Congratulations on this special time in your life. I've always been so proud of you and your accomplishments! You've reached that goal you've been striving for the past eight years! Everyone in our family is proud of you and wishing you a great future in your career. I love you, now go out and show the world what you've got! Love ya, Mom



To strive, to seek, to find and not to yield. -Alfred Lord Tennyson



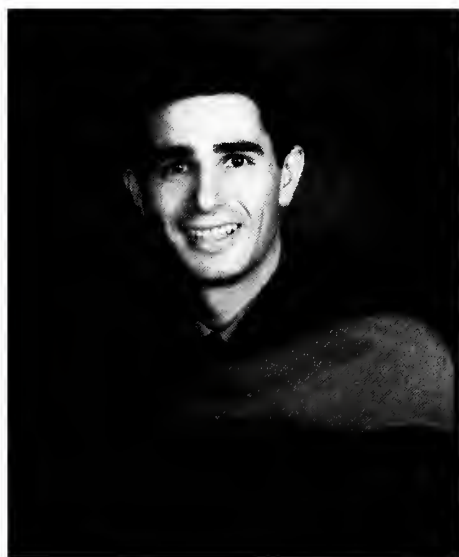
Adam Ketteler, O.D.

Atkinson, NE
Nebraska Wesleyan University

*We are proud of you and all you have accomplished. Best wishes for a wonderful future. Congratulations!
With love,
Dad and Mom*



*Not the victory but the action.
Not the goal but the game.
In the deed the glory.*



Kambiz Khorram, O.D.

Sacramento, CA
California State University, Chico

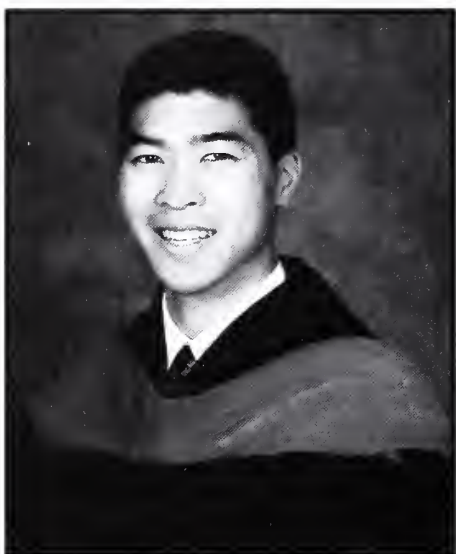
I am never going to forget Dick Wacker and the CK dance at PAD. The past 4 years have been a blast!! Don't you think so Sukeb?



Dear Kambiz: Congratulations on your great achievement. The whole family is very proud of you and wishes you the best in your career after graduation. We are all waiting for you to come back and give us a complete eye exam.

Mom, Dad, and Hamid





Henry E. Kikunaga, O.D.

Morgan Hill, CA
University of California at San Diego
CL Society Treasurer



Michelle H. Kim, O.D.

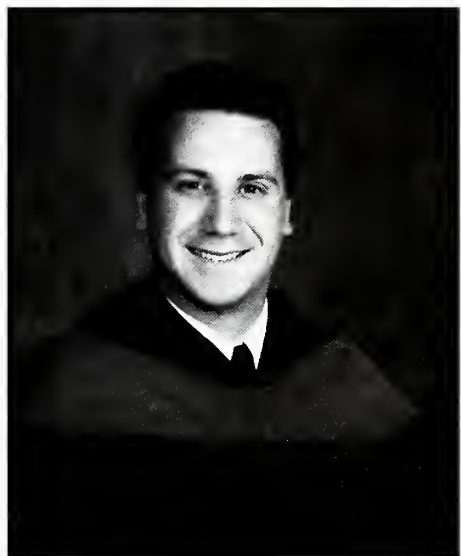
Walnut, CA
University of California Los Angeles
California Club, Contact Lens Society, AOSA, AAO,
Beta Sigma Kappa, Tomb and Key, Gold Key



*To My Family and Friends,
Thank you for helping me reach my dreams. It would not have been possible without your
unconditional love and support. I will forever be grateful...*



Anne N. Ko, O.D.



Joshua L. Korsgarden, O.D.

Grand Forks, ND
University of North Dakota

You did it! Not that we ever doubted you for a minute. Congratulations!

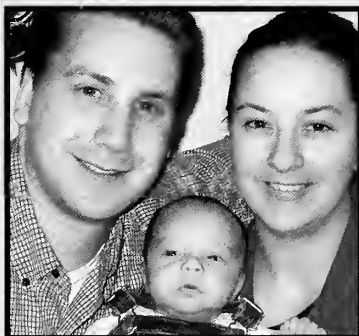
As you look back on yesterday, may the memories of your childhood and family be warm and happy ones...and as you enjoy today and tomorrow, may your heart be filled with happiness as your dream is fulfilled. Though to you, it took a lifetime to become so confident and tall, we feel as if a moment has passed since you were very small. We've watched with joy and wonder, and we want to let you know- you have a very proud Mom and Dad!

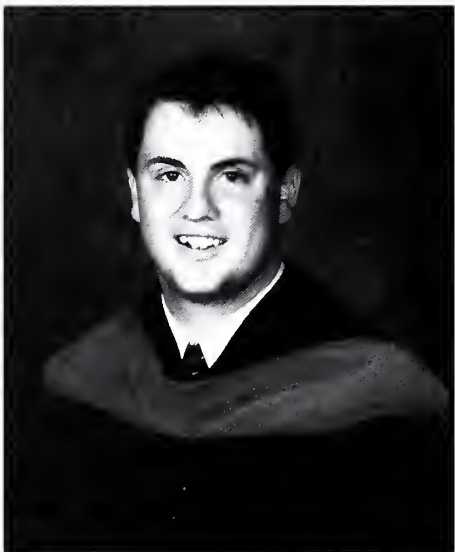
"Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law."

Psalms 119:18 (KJV)



Both the highs and lows of the past 4 years at ICO will be moments that I look back on as treasured memories. I believe that through the challenges, successes, and with the help of the many wonderful people that I have met along the way, I will leave ICO a better person than when I started-who can ask for more than that? A very special thank you to my very special wife, Lisa, and my very special son, Braden, for their love and support.





Mark Alan Korthals, O.D.

Boyden, Iowa
Wayne State College
Private Practice Club, CL Society

*Congratulations, Mark!
You did it! We knew you could!
We are very proud of you!*

*Love,
Mom, Dad, and Melanie*



First of all, I would like to thank my wife for helping me through this wild ride known as ICO. Thanks for putting up with me during all of those nights studying and for being there when the road got rough. I love you, honey.

To mom and dad, thanks for setting me on the right path and for your continuing love and support. You guys are the best.

To Mel, I don't know how I could have studied without all of your calls those night to talk about nothing.

To Mike, thanks for all of your great advice and support. I couldn't have done this without all of you guys.



Karen L. Krohn, O.D.

Pittsville, WN
Winona State University

Karen,

We are very proud of you and your accomplishments! From the center of the state to the heart of the Windy City, your clear vision of success has led you to achieve your goals. We've watched with pride throughout the years as you accomplished all you set out to do. You persevered through the stresses of exams, long hours on the road, and now here you are at the end of one journey and the start of another. As you begin your professional career, remember the excitement of seeing your first patient and carry that joy to your new practice. Congratulations and good luck, Dr. Krohn!

*With all our love,
Mom, Dad, Amy and Randy*





Kristie J. Kudlac, O.D.



Amy L. Lagina, O.D.

You are a shining example of what a daughter can be-beautiful, determined, intelligent, and caring. You are everything that we could have wished for and more. As we watched you grow and mature, you have never disappointed us in your willingness to learn and just enjoy life. We love you more than you will ever know.

Mom and Dad

May the beauty of light guide your way, and the magic of sight lead you to worlds unknown.

*Congratulations. Love,
Anthony and Tasba*



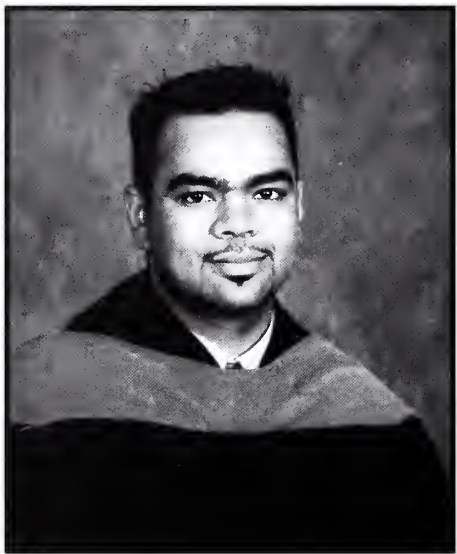
We are so proud of you! You have grown into such a beautiful and bright person. Keep striving for your highest visions and the best opportunities in life will come your way. With all our love, Uncle Brian, Aunt Vicki, and Callie



We are so proud of you! We wish you happiness and success throughout your career.

Much love,

Uncle Bob and Aunt DeeDee



Sukhzadvinder S. Lail, O.D.

*Despite the many obstacles we have seen
The many trials and tribulations that have been
Despite our difference in opinion and thought
Lessons in life we hope have been taught
A resilient man you have grown up to be
For all your family to take in and see
Our thoughts, our prayers, always with you
Wishing you well in all you do
With hard work and determination you have shown
All that is about you, already known
Self-sacrificing in many aspects throughout the years
Through times of hardship and times of tears
You have made us all proud with all you have done
For your sisters as a brother, for your parents as a son
May God ensure your dreams come true
May you always remember that we love you.*

It was either the former or latter

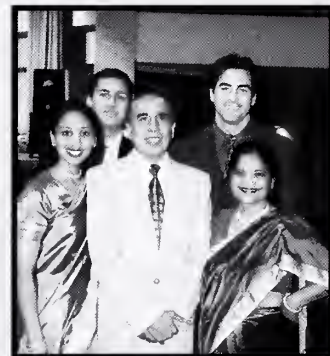
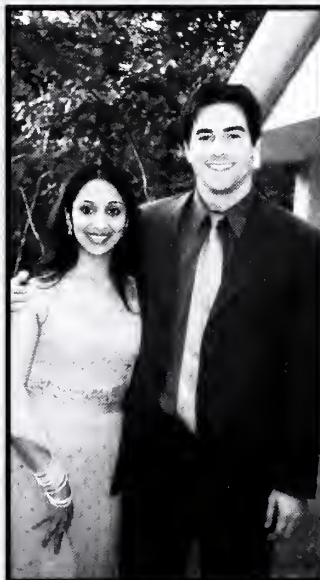
*Here a beer
There a beer
Everywhere a beer, beer!*

Congratulations Sukh!!!



Sima Lal, O.D.

**Birmingham, AL
Birmingham-Southern College
The University of Alabama
at Birmingham, School of Public Health**





Mimi Ngoc Le, O.D.

Sugar Land, TX
Houston Baptist University
FCO, CL Society



Stacy Le, O.D.





Carol H. Lee, O.D.

Yorba Linda, CA
UCLA

Note Services, CA Club, Yearbook

Carol!

Congratulations! We are all so proud of your accomplishment. Your many years of hard work and dedication have paid off! We wish you the best of luck in the future. Always seek God, for through Him, all things are possible! We love you.

Dad, Mom, Helen, and Susan



*To my wonderful family and friends:
"I thank God upon every remembrance of you."
Philippians 1:3*

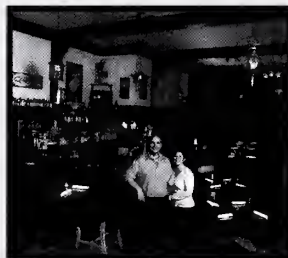
"...I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation...I can do everything through him who gives me strength."

Philippians 4:12-13



Sara Legue, O.D.

Racine, WI
University of Wisconsin - Madison



To Our Dearest Sara,

You've made us so proud of your accomplishments. You have our love and support. Good luck to you in the future. We know you'll make the right decisions.

Love,

Mom and Dad



Melissa Leoni, O.D.

Healdsburg, CA
University of California, Davis

BSK, AOSA, COVD, CA Club

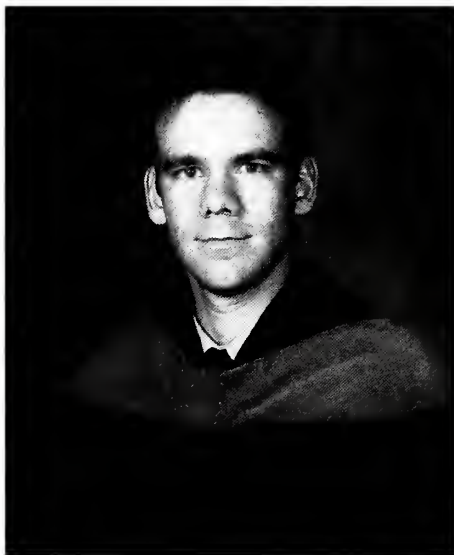
Melissa,

Congratulations, you made it! Your inherited "constant thirst for knowledge" has paid off. You will be the first doctor in the family! From your earliest desire to be in the medical field wanting to be an orthodontist during your own teeth straightening, to wanting to become an optometrist because you didn't want to cause anyone pain, you have always set your sites high. We are proud of the dedication, hard work and sacrifices you have made to achieve your goal. We wish you all the best in your future as an O.D.

Love, Dad and Mom



"Celebrate we will, Because life is short but sweet for certain." - Dave Matthews



Michael Lock, O.D.

Packwood, Iowa
University of Iowa



Congratulations Mike!

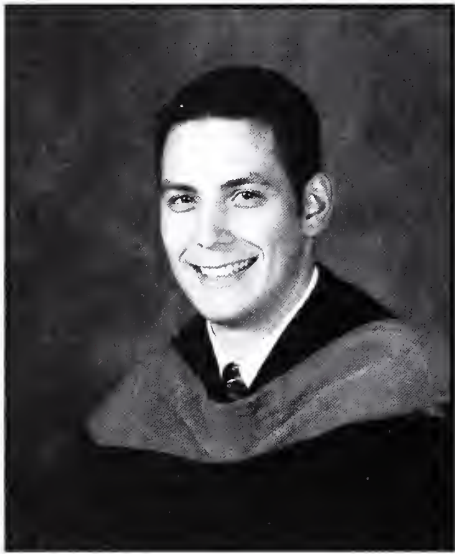
Your goal is clearly in sight. The day has come when all your hard work over the past eight years has paid off.

Your entire family is so very proud of you! We want you to know we're behind you 100%. Just know that the Lord has a plan for you, and always keep your eyes upon Him.

We wish you much enjoyment and success in your career as a Doctor of Optometry. Good luck Doc!

*Love Always,
Mom and Dad*





Michael J. Lopykinski, O.D.

Crest Hill, IL
University of Illinois
at Urbana-Champaign, IL

"Always strive for the best, use your talents as gifts to enlighten the lives of others, remember the memories you have experienced, enjoy the place where you are, and work at achieving your dreams."

—Gunner

Congratulations Mike. We wish you much success in your profession. You have always demonstrated great determination in accomplishing your goals, and we know that your dedication will guide you in your practice. Additionally, you have always been a fun person to be around and somewhat of a joker. These traits along with your dependability and motivation are great characteristics that we admire most in you. We are proud of your many accomplishments and of the successful son you have become.

Love, Mom and Dad



Kristy Loy, O.D.

Wyoming, IA
Wartburg College

"Education is an admirable thing, but it is as well to remember that nothing that is worth knowing can be taught."

- Unknown



Kristy, sometimes its hard to believe how fast you grew from a little girl beginning school, to an adolescent and now to a very intelligent accomplished young woman with great horizons ahead of you. Now your graduating ready to begin a new part of your life. Its days like this that being a parent is especially reuwarding. Remember you always have the love and support of your family and if success is measured by a willingness to work then the world holds endless possibilities as you have always given 100% of yourself. With special love for the wonderful daughter you are, congratulations on your graduation from optometry school and best wishes for a great future as an optometrist. We are very proud of you.

Love, Mom and Dad



Erica Viator Lukasko, O.D.
 New Iberia, Louisiana
 University of Louisiana at Lafayette
 Louisiana State University
 FCO, COVD, SVOSH, CL Society,
 Multicultural Club



Dearest Erica,

Congratulations! We are so happy for you. Congratulations doesn't begin to describe how proud we are of you. You've worked hard for a long time and your efforts have been rewarded. We always knew that you possessed the faith, integrity, and courage to achieve your goals and dreams.

May your graduation day bring you a sense of accomplishment, excitement and joy. Realizing your dreams and the great satisfaction of knowing you succeeded must be a feeling of great happiness today.

As you experience new challenges in optometry and life, we hope you will continue to have the courage and strength to accept the opportunities as well as endure the difficulties. Keep learning, keep achieving, keep soaring, and always remember to look for the good in every heart.

We pray that you will always keep your goodness, Erica. In every one of your years you have given us more happiness than you can imagine, and have brought many smiles to our hearts. We thank God for you and truly feel blessed having you for a daughter.

Once again, congratulations on your ICO graduation. We love you.

*Love,
 Mom and Dad*



Sarah Machala, O.D.
 Galena, IL
 Western Illinois University
 COVD, CL Society, AOA, AOA-PAC, Yearbook

Congratulations to the first Dr. in the Machala/Chmara family! We're very proud of your accomplishment, knowing how much you have sacrificed to get there, and how dedicated you were to achieving your goal. We wish for your happiness and great satisfaction as you serve others in your chosen profession.

*Love Always,
 Mom and Dad*



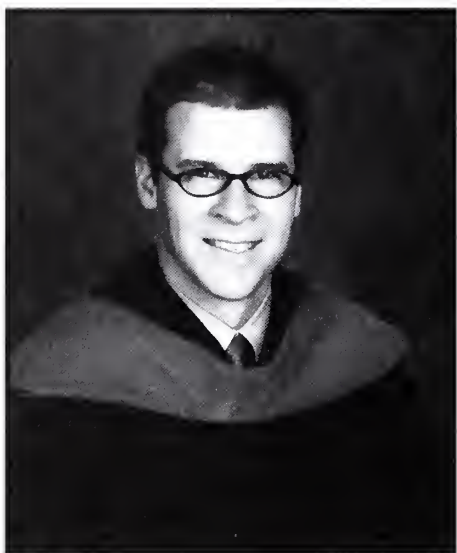
Mom and Dad: Thanks for your years of support and encouragement.



My Grandma: Thank you for letting me escape when I was frazzled!



My brothers and sisters - who helped me to become the person I am today.



Andrew David Makela, O.D.

Lake Villa, IL
University of Illinois

Thanks to my wife Kathleen and daughter Jane for their love, support, and understanding of those long days at the library. Thanks also to all my friends and classmates for some great memories. Best wishes and I'll see you at CE.



Congratulations Andrew! We are so proud of you! All your life you have shown determination, perseverance, and dedication to your studies, also hard work and a commitment to whatever you have set your mind to accomplish. This past year your life has been filled with new beginnings, challenges, and wonderful dreams. Dad and I are so proud of you, for this is something many people take a lifetime to learn. You have blessed us with the gift of being a responsible, caring, compassionate, and a loving son. May God continue to bless you and guide you throughout your life.

Love, Mom and Dad



Karen Malaski, O.D.

Sagamore Hills, OH
Bowling Green State University

Dear Karen,

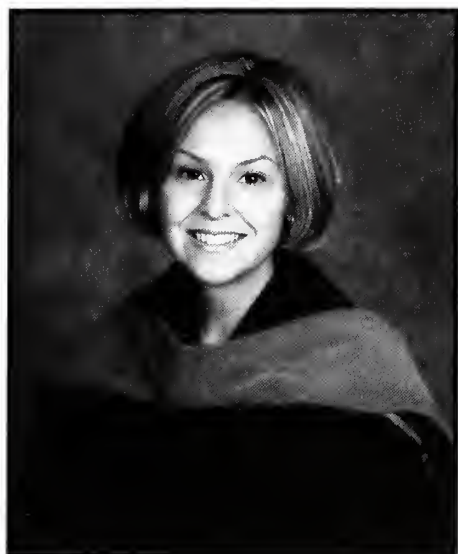
Wow. You did it! We are so very proud and excited for you! You have been an inspiration to all of us. Through all the difficult times when you felt you weren't going to make it, you never gave up and only tried harder. Through all the years of school you have always strived to take the more challenging path, and have never settled for anything but the best. We know about the "all nighters" and many sacrifices you have made to reach your goals. May you always hold the accomplishments you have made over the past 8 years with you, and may the next chapter in your life be filled with more blessings and surprises! We thank God for guiding you and keeping you safe.

We love you always,

Mom, Dad, Mary, Cheryl, Jeremy, and Renee

P.S. When do our free eye exams start?





Kristy Marczewski, O.D.

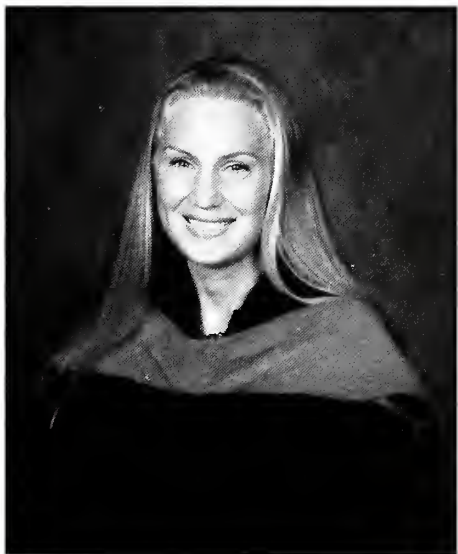
Chicago, IL

University of Illinois at Chicago
Private Practice Club, Contact Lens
Society, IOA, AOSA, Council of Ethics



Congratulations to you, Kristy, on your graduation. We are very proud of you.

*Love,
Mom and Dad*



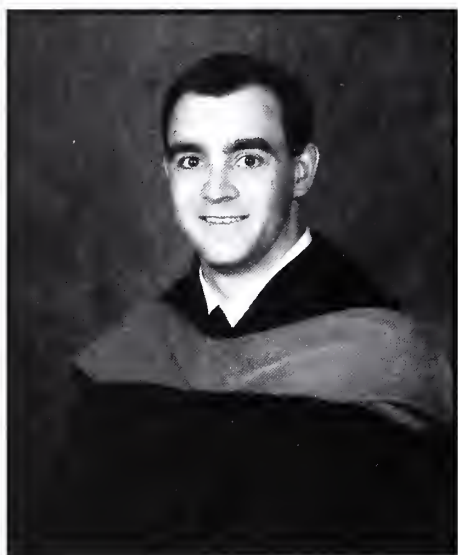
Andrea L. McCann, O.D.

Cambridge, Ontario Canada
University of Guelph

SA President, AOA-PAC & CAOS Liason, Gold Key
Secretary, AAO, AOA, AOSA, ARVO, COVD, Svosh

Your achievements have been many and you have worked hard to succeed in all your goals you have set for yourself. We knew you were destined to succeed when at 15 you were running the busiest McDonalds in Canada as a swing manager through to graduating with B.Sc.Honours Degree from University of Guelph. This drive eventually took you to Calgary AB where you proved yourself among your peers as a research assistant. It was here your goal to become an optometrist finally took a hold and you pursued it with fervor. Now after 4 very intense years you have reached the end of this particular journey and as your parents we are extremely proud of our daughter, Dr. Andrea McCann.





Christopher A. McDowell, O.D.

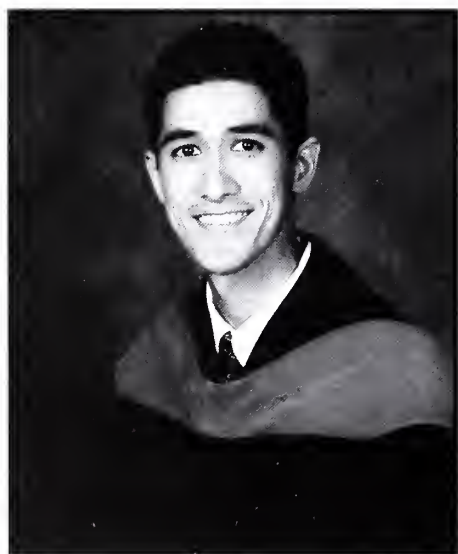
Olivia, MN
St. Cloud State University

Chris,

Bursting with pride and love, we congratulate you on reaching one of your life goals - becoming a Doctor of Optometry. You have worked very hard and we celebrate your accomplishments!

As you go forth in life there is a quote from Mark Twain that expresses our wish for you. "Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover."

*Love,
Mom and Dad*



Kevin James Mercado, O.D.

Romeoville, IL
Eastern Illinois University

Congratulations Dr. Kevin James Mercado,

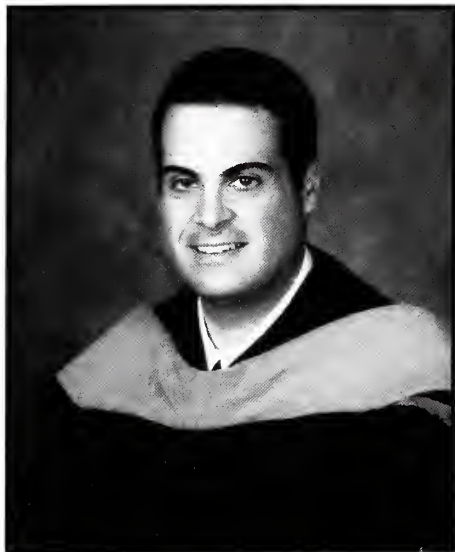
We are so proud of you. We remember when your kindergarten teacher mentioned to us that you were very special and could not wait to see you grow up. Your 3rd grade teacher said you were a genius. Together, they were correct. This great achievement is your reward for the hard work, long hours, dedication and desire in becoming a Doctor of Optometry.

As you look ahead wondering what the future will hold, please remember all your friends and relatives who gave their love and support, too. Your brother and sister, grandparents, your aunts and uncles and cousins wish you the very best and are so proud of you.

Congratulations on a job well done.

Love, Mom, Dad, Charlene and Andrew





Brian Merlino, O.D.

**Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario
University of Guelph**

Contact Lens Society, Canadian Club, Beta Sigman
Kappa, NOSA, AOSA

Brian,

It brings us such joy to see you graduate and to share in your bright dreams and your hopeful plans for the future. That's because you have given us so much happiness and so many reasons to be proud of you - not just today but always. Congratulations Brian!

The best of luck to you. May this be the start of all your hopes and dreams come true. We are so proud of you.

Love,

Mom and Dad, Vince, Jessica and Paul



Nicole Miesner, O.D.

Steeleville, IL

Murray State University

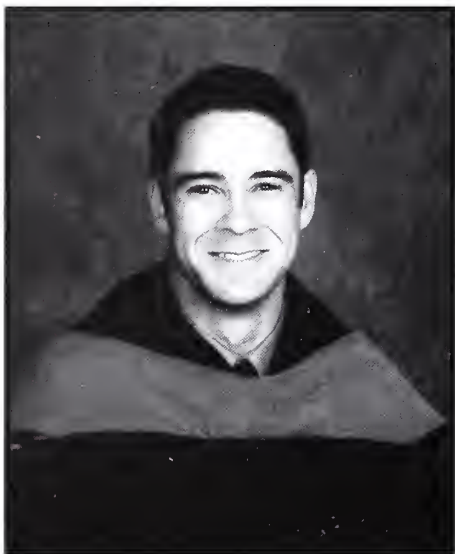
Council on Ethics & Professionalism, Beta Sigma Kappa,
Tomb & Key, Student Promotions Committee, CL Society,
AOA-PAC, Private Practice Club



Congratulations Nicole on reaching your goal! We know that it has been a very long hard journey. You have never once wavered or lost sight of what you really wanted to achieve and that was the opportunity to help others. The future now belongs to you. Cherish your visions and your dreams, for they will be the blueprints of your ultimate achievements. Words cannot express how very proud we are of you and what you have been able to accomplish. We have always had faith in you and now as you go out into the world we send hope that all your dreams come true. May success and happiness follow you always. We love you!

Mom, Dad, and Kristen





Ryan G. Miller, O.D.

Irvine, CA

University of California at Davis
CL Society, COVD, AOSA, Intramural Sports



Congratulations Ryan! We admire your determination and perseverance in achieving your goal that you set for yourself eight years ago. The effort needed to reach this graduation day reflects your character, ethics, and maturity that we respect and honor. We are proud of who you are, what you have accomplished and the future you have chosen to share with Amy. We wish you success as you develop your career as an Optometrist.

God Bless You.

Love, Mom, Dad and Jamie



Vanessa G. Kirby O.D.

Mead, WA

Eastern Washington University
Contact Lens Society

Dear Vanny Gail, Peng, Skeemo, Sister, Darn Varn & Vanessa,
"A child with many names is well loved" -Norwegian Proverb
You are well loved and your family has missed you the last four years. But what an experience you have had! You went from small town girl (on a horse) to big city girl (on a subway). You went from west coast to Midwest. You went from all your friends to making new friends. All of this was a part of your education at ICO.

You and your classmates have accomplished much and learned a great deal. You invested four years of your life to your profession. Now a new name is added: Dr. Kirby. Congratulations!
Love, Mom, Dad, Aaron & Jessi





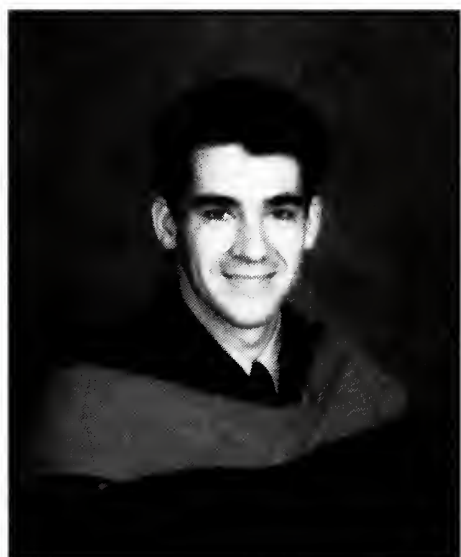
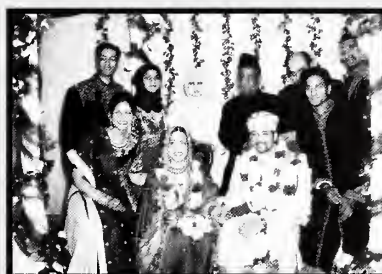
Hajira Moinuddin, O.D.

Chicago, IL

Loyola University

CL Society, Year Book, International student Assn,
SVOSH, Muslim Student Assn, AOSA, AOA-PAC

The day is finally here! These past four years have been a huge rollercoaster ride. Through it all it's the fun times that will leave the most lasting memories...thanx girls. I wish you all the most success in your lives and careers. A special thanks to Dad and all the brothers & sisters for the never ending love and support you guys have shown, and above all the greatest joy in my life, Naveed. You are truly a blessing in disguise. Thank you for your kindness and understanding through the final stretch. I cherish you all!



Michael A. Morrison, O.D.

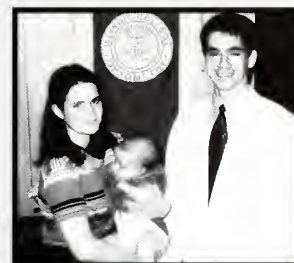
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Minnesota State Uninversity, Moorhead

CL Society, AOSA, VOSH Jamaica

Congratulations Michael! We couldn't be prouder. All the studying and late night hours have given you a profession you can be proud of. It's amazing what one can do when you put your effort into it. Four years of optometry college sounded like a long time but look how fast it has gone. It has been twenty five years ago since we graduated from ICO. That year we had President Gerald Ford address our class. Congratulations also to Chris for her Ph.T. degree (Putting Hubby Through). You've done well.

*Love:
your parents: Dr. Larry and Joyce Morrison*





Kathryn L. Mulder, O.D.

Holland, MI

Hope College

AOSA, AOA-PAC, MOA, IOA, CL Society,
Big Brother/Big Sister (ICO)



Kathryn, at the ICO inaugural white coat ceremony, you were told that the next 4 years of your life would be the most stressful years of your life. And that after those stressful years, you would have a lifetime of professional satisfaction. Today you are an ICO graduate.

Time seems to fly when looking back - we remember the years at ICO as filled with many hours of study and class work. We also remember ICO sponsored activities like the ICO Olympics and the Eye Ball. During these years you lived in Chicago, you made lifelong friendships and today you graduate as Dr. Kathryn Mulder. Congratulations, Mom, Dad and Andy



Vlada Nakhlis, O.D.

Chicago, IL

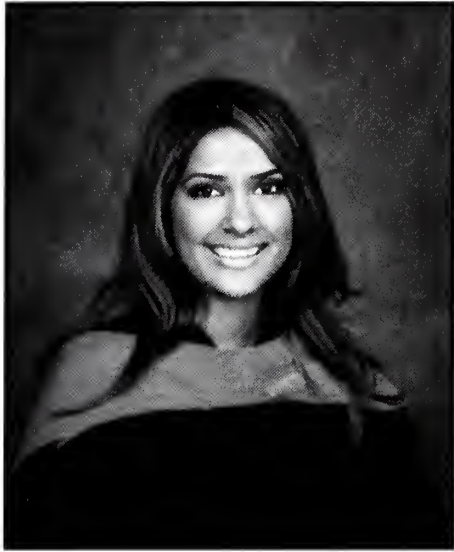
University of Illinois

Dear Vlada! Congratulations, finally it happened!

We're so proud of you and hope you'll continue the best family traditins. You will become a good doctor like your gradfather. Good luck to you and best wishes!

-Your parents.

Success is built on a foundation of...



Sasha N. Narayan, O.D.

Caledon East, Ontario, Canada
Mc Master University



..family ..(including the newest addition!!)..



...old friends...

Sasha Darling,
We are truly blessed to be your parents. You have a kind heart, you are beautiful and you are smart. As you graduate, we pray that God blesses you with good health and happiness. May you enjoy your career as an Optometrist so much that you look forward to every day with enthusiasm. As you work (and repay your loans) remember the Hindi proverb: "If you have two loaves of bread, Give one to the poor, Sell the other, And buy hyacinths (or in your case, orchids), To feed your soul". God bless you with strength in the years ahead. Congratulations and Love,
From Mum, Dad, Shanil, Shirin, Sideeka, the little man Deo Arvand, the Narayan and Prashad clans.



.....new friends...



...and love!!



Carey M. Nguyen, O.D.

St. Louis, MO
St. Louis University





Mai N. Nguyen O.D.

Santa Clara, CA
University of California - Davis
3rd year Class Representative
Beta Sigma Kappa, Tomb & Key Honor Society

Congratulations Mai! Your hard work (and vision) has paid off. We are so proud of you! We wish you the very best as you begin your life's journey into the future and will continue to stand behind you every step of the way. We all love you very much, Mai!

Mom, Dad, Nancy & Danny



"What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us."

-Ralph Waldo Emerson



Diane T. Nhan, O.D.

Houston, TX
University of Houston





Eric R. Norell, O.D.

Princeton, IL

Illinois Wesleyan University

AOSA, IOA, CL Society, COVD, Beta Sigma Kappa



Eric,
We are extremely proud of you and congratulate you on your success! Our hope is that you will find caring for people's vision is a small part of your insight to the needs of those around you. May you turn your education into wisdom. We pray for God's blessings for you and Penny and pray that you will follow His guidance for your life. Enjoy your new career!

Love, Mom and Dad



Michelle M. Okabe, O.D.

Honolulu, HI

University of California, San Diego

CL Society Chair, AOSA, Council of Ethics, AAO
Liasion, Yearbook, Gold Key Society, Beta Sigma
Kappa, Tomb & Key



Aloha Michelle,

HOORAY! You did it! Was there any doubt? You've got to be proud of yourself! Needless to say, we are so very proud of you and have always wanted the best for you. Your family and relatives are full of pride, too, because you're soon to be the first doctor in the clan. You've put in a lot of blood, sweat and tears these last four years to accomplish you goals. However, we promise, all that hard work will

pay off (at least to Uncle Sam!). But, first, you gotta get one "J-O-B" and do that four letter word "W-O-R-K"!!

CONGRATULATIONS!

*Love ya,
Dad & Mom*





Jaime R. K. Okamura, O.D.
Torrance, CA
CSU, Northridge

Tomb & Key Honor Society - President, Beta Sigma Kappa -
 Treasurer, CL Society - Events Coordinator, AOSA, AOA- CL
 Section, AOA Pac, California Club, Yearbook, Resident Advisor,
 Tutor

My Dearest Jaime,

From the day you were born, you have never ceased to amaze me with your energy, wit, and determination. I am blessed to have you as my daughter! Today, I cry tears, not of pain or sadness, but of wonder and amazement for my little girl who has become a woman - tiny in stature but tall in spirit.

As you graduate, you begin yet another chapter in your life. Be a flame or be a spark. Be a candle in the dark. Be a sunbeam or a star. Be the shining light you are! I am so proud of you!

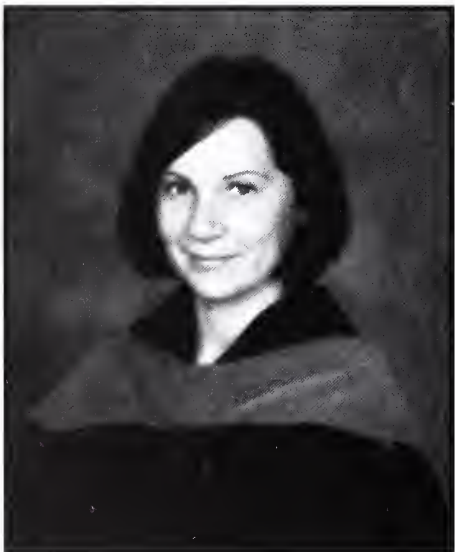
Love, MOM



*Your support made me stronger
 and gave me the confidence to
 succeed.....you believed in me.*



*Thank you for EVERY-
 THING!! I love you....*



Margaret J Ostrowska, O.D.

Krakow, Poland
Loyola University
 CL Society

Kochani Rodzice

*Dziekuje za wasze wsparcie i wiare we mnie,
 Malgosia.*



You love what you do, you do it well....



Aida C. Palces, O.D.

Manila, Philippines
California State University, Fullerton
SVOSH

It is with deep honor and pride that we greet you, Ate, Happy Graduation on this occasion. We hope all of you will join hands and thank the Almighty for giving you this wonderful opportunity to gather and meet old friends and look back to a glorious past that has been a part of your lives. After four years of hard work, endless assignments, tests and struggles, you are now to receive your diploma.

You know that we all sacrificed a lot but you did not put these to waste. You have shown us that you are responsible and we thank you for that. If others were put in your place, it may have been a different story.

We are truly proud of you because you have not only met our expectations but exceeded it.



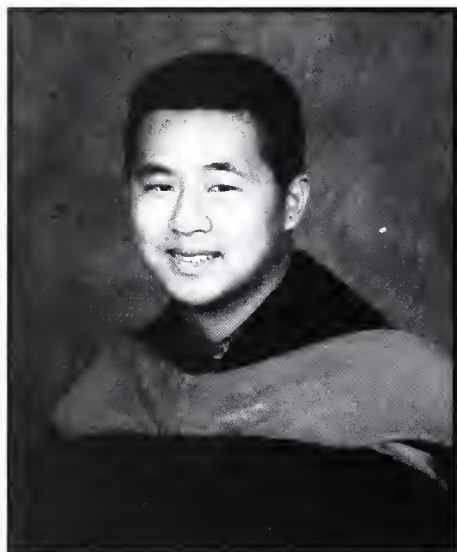
Once you have what you never had, you can never go back and be happy with what you had. .



Jennifer L. Palloch, O.D.

Fargo, ND
North Dakota State University
AOSA, CL Society, Tutor, Yearbook, COVD





Quentin Park, O.D.

Chicago, IL

Augustana College

Private Practice Club, Intramurals, Orientation Team
Leader, Peer Group Leader

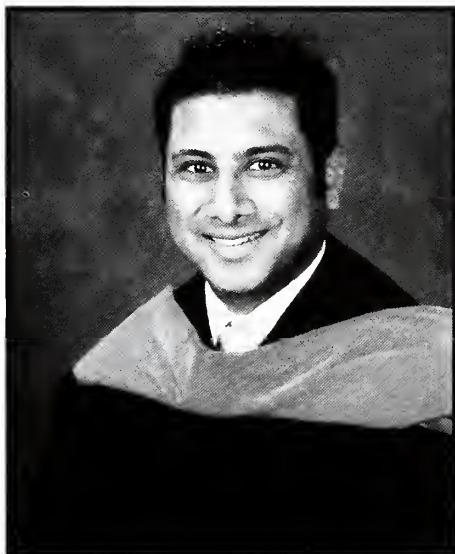
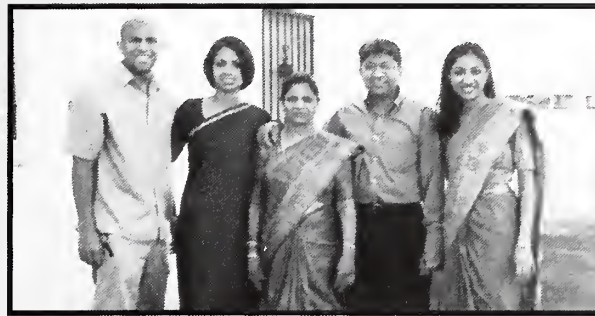
Quentin, you are our first son, the first Park Family grandchild to become an eye doctor. You will help continue the Park Eye Care Practice of North Aurora and the Fox Valley area by providing the same personal care we have given for many years. Your mother and I are both very proud of you and wish you the best and most successful career. Work hard and patients will come to you for their eye care. You will be the Best Eye Doctor in town! Congratulations Dr. Quentin Park! With Love and Pride Always, Mom and Dad.





Mona Patel, O.D.

Mattoon, IL
Illinois Wesleyan University
 AOSA, CL Society, Multicultural Society



Samir C. Patel, O.D.

Hinsdale, IL
Benedictine University
 AOSA, CL Society

Samir,

We have been waiting so eagerly for this day. Four years have gone by and thousands of thoughts have gone through our minds about the best way to express our thoughts on this momentous day.

You have provided us with memories that can fill up volumes. You have been a loving and caring son and brother. You were a conscientious student. Now you are a professional, an optometrist, a doctor.

All we could come up with is that we are extremely proud of you and excited for the future you are about to unlock.

*Congratulations,
 Dad, Mom, Hemang, Sonali*





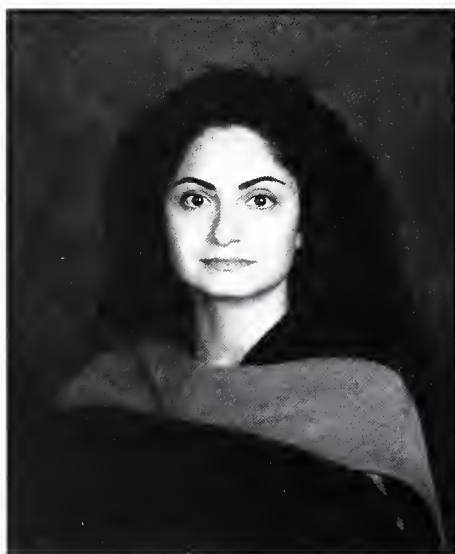
Jami Lyn Paul, O.D.

Massillon, OH
Ohio State University

Our Dearest Jami,

Who says dreams do not come true? We remember a little girl in about the 7th grade that said I think I will become an eye doctor when I grow up. And we knew that would probably happen. And here you are!! You are a true inspiration to everyone who knows you. We are so proud of all the hard work and dedication you have shown, especially the last eight years. The really lucky people are the many patients you will encounter over the next many years. They too will experience your kindness and expertise as you help them to see the world more clearly. Mame, we have always been so very proud to call you daughter and now we are even prouder to call you Doctor!!!! May you prosper in the future and be granted extreme happiness for all your hard work and dedication!!

*Our most sincere love,
Dad and Mom
Douglas and Terri Paul*



Angel Perez, O.D.

Chicago, IL
University of Illinois
AOSA, COVD, CL society, Private Practice Club,
AOA-PAC

Angelica,

With the help of God and all your hard work, we are happy you have accomplished your goals. We are extremely proud of you and we know you will be prosperous in your field, and always remember to help others.

*Love always,
Mom and Dad*



Thank you for all of the encouragement. I will always remember your kindness and love.



Thank you to my family, especially my parents, who have always believed in me and have love me unconditionally .



To my colleagues, thank you for all the wonderful memories and laughs. I hope your future is blessed with all that you wish



*To Isaac
whose
patience,
humor and
love will
always be
cherished. I
love you. GO
CUBS!!*



Vicky T. Pham, O.D.

Houston, TX
University of Houston
AOSA, CL Society



My dearest Andrew, the person I turn to when I want to laugh and share the good things in life You put me on top of the world.

The best kind of friendship is the close, genuine, and last kind shared by sisters.



To my phamily, whose love and trust I can count on to provide security, reassurance and lasting love. Thanks for the nudge when I needed it. I love you guys.



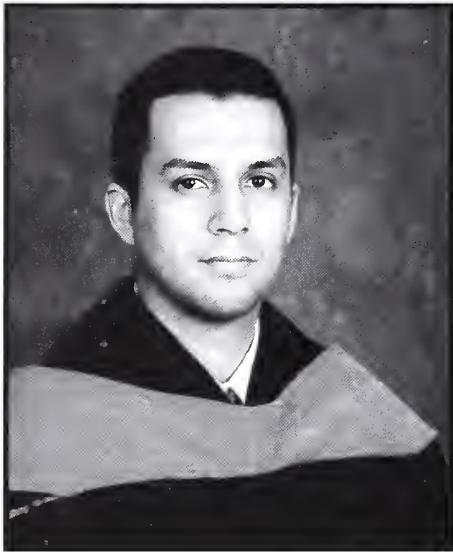
To the class of 2004, I'm glad to have been a part of this yahoo group. It has been great & I will miss you.



Sanella Puskar, O.D.

Hanover Park, IL
Augustana College





Alejandro J. Ramirez, O.D.



Jenna A. Rodgers, O.D.

Jenna,

We do not have to tell you how proud you should be of yourself, how much you have accomplished and will continue to accomplish in the future. We, as parents, were honored to assist you (Dad with his wallet, Mom with her encouraging words) to help you reach this goal in your life. You now have the tools to help mankind. Use them with love and compassion and you will find success where it is most important—in your heart and spirit. You are truly a gift to your parents and brothers and will be to your patients.

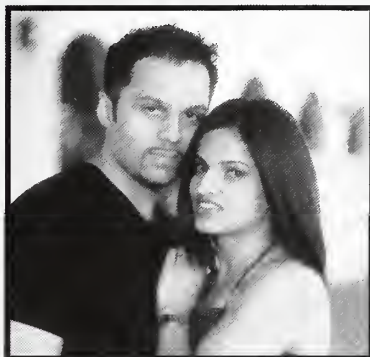


Kamal Roopra, O.D.

Oakville, Ontario Canada
University of Western Ontario
CL Society, Council on Ethics & Professionalism, Multicultural Society

Kamal,

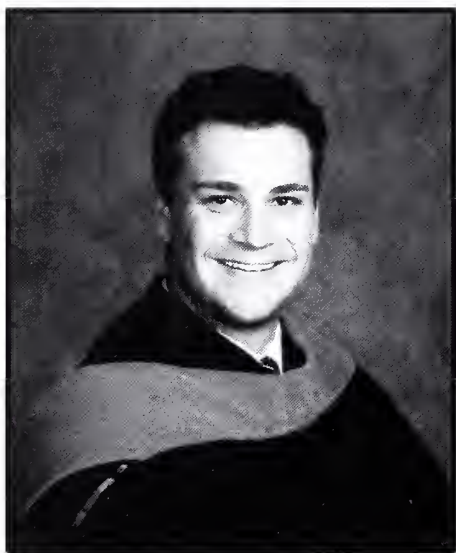
Your determination and hard work have brought you to this special day. We hope your graduation is a happy celebration. As we eagerly look forward now with great anticipation to a future that we sincerely believe will far surpass your every expectation. Congratulations and our sincere wishes for all the best in life.
Juri and Mindi Roopra



Christie J. Russell, O.D.

Brainerd, MN
St Cloud State University
AOA, AOA Pac, CL Society, BSK, Tomb & Key, AAO, SA





Samuel R. Sant, O.D.

Middletown, OH
Ohio State University
CL Society, AOSA, AAO

Dear Sam,

We are so proud of your determination and accomplishments. The vision you have had for your future has always been clear (either "1" or "2"). You must have taken after your mother! It will be fun watching you succeed. In closing, we will use your father's famous word "moiety".
Love you, Momma and Dad



I would like to thank my family and friends for their support over the past four years. Now all I need is a job!



Karen T. Santos, O.D.

Mississauga, Ontario, Canada
University of Waterloo

Beta Sigma Kappa, Tomb & Key Honor Society
CL Society, Canadian Student Association, AOSA



Karen...

Since your first smile, your first laughter, and your first steps, we both knew you would take the right path, even knowing you would be making some wrong choices and wrong turns. Somehow you always found yourself back with more strength and enthusiasm. With this new found strength, you were able to avoid the obstacles that life was throwing your way.

With this new knowledge (love, strength and courage), you became a beautiful woman, a woman with a loving and warming heart. These are the characteristics that GOD has given you.

Karen, Now you start a new chapter in your life, a chapter as a Doctor, which will be a big challenge; a challenge that will bring fulfillment, excitement and self-worth to your life. Congratulations DOC, be proud of yourself. You made it, lovey. We love you very much and we are very proud of you...

Mom, Dad, Jason and Amy.

We love you, Lovey. Way to go: Dr. Karen T. Santos Bsc. Optometrist

What can I say... ICO has left me practically speechless. Thank you to all that have made the past four years a blast, I will never forget the good times. Thanks Mom, Dad, Amy and Jason for always believing in me. Good luck to the Class of 2004, may the next journey be as successful as the last.





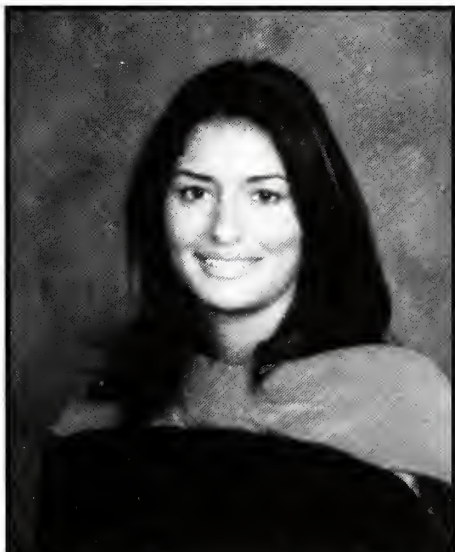
Jill Scheiffele, O.D.

Milwaukie, OR
Pacific University
Portland State Univeristy



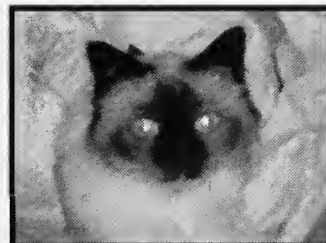
*"It is one of the blessings of old friends that
you can afford to be stupid with them."*

-Ralph Waldo Emerson



Sanaz Seyednejad, O.D.

Vancouver, B.C.
University of British Columbia
AOSA, CL Society, Multicultural Club



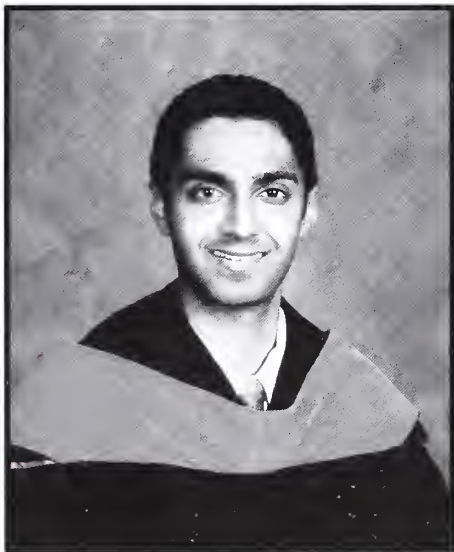


Valerie N. Sheety, O.D.

West Covina, CA
California State Polytechnic University
at Pomona
CL Society (Vice-President)

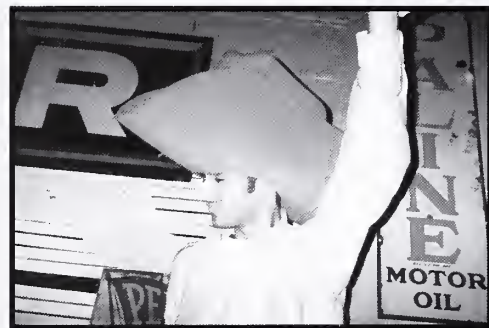


The beauty of life is the feeling of achievement. Your success is our success, your happiness is our happiness, your achievement is our pride, and your training makes others see the light. Today proves that you can be whatever you choose to be. Congratulations Doctor #3. We are the happiest parents in the world and we are very proud of your success. Best wishes for a happy and successful future. Congratulations from your brothers. Welcome to the group, Doctor! We are proud to say that our sister has the self discipline, compassion, responsibility, and the perseverance it takes to become an optometrist. We love you. Your loving parents and loving brothers



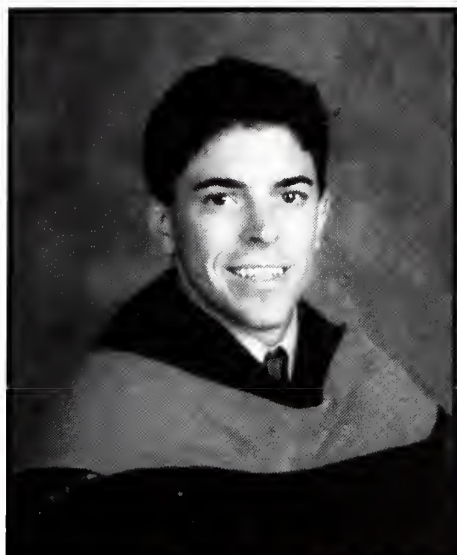
Ketan K. Sheladia, O.D.

Bloomington, IL
University of Illinois



I never missed a class.





Jason A. Sifrit, O.D.

**Bettendorf, IA
University of Iowa**

1st Yr. Class Representative, SA Treasurer
AOSA, AOA, CL Society



I would like to thank my family for supporting me and giving me the opportunity to pursue my goals. Also I would like to thank all of my classmates, we struggled through all of the lows and celebrated together for all of the highs. Thanks for making these four years so memorable. Best of luck to everyone, Jason



*Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance you must keep moving.
-Albert Einstein*



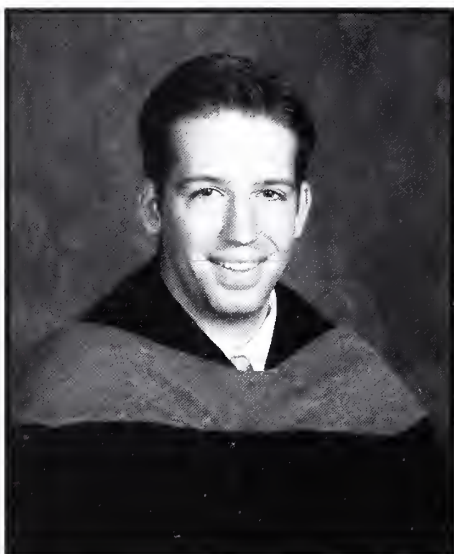
Charan Kaur Sihota, O.D.

**Edmonton, Alberta
Concordia University College of Alberta**
Contact Lens Society, Multicultural Club



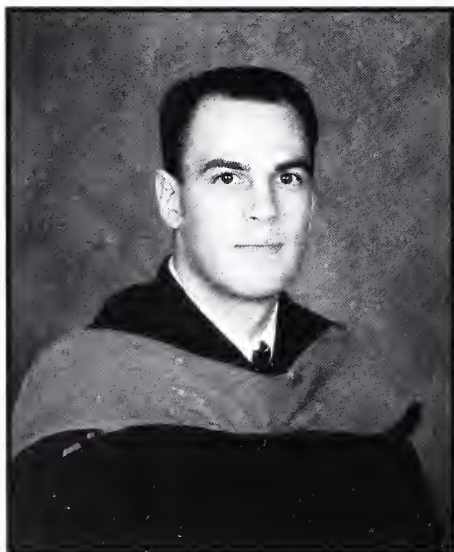
*To our dear daughter, Charan,
We have always looked forward to the day that our children would reach their dreams. Through all your accomplishments and many experiences in life, we are extremely happy to see you reach your goals, one of which is to become an optometrist. Through the hard times of leaving the place where you grew up and the good times of new experiences at ICO, you have accomplished many great things that you may not yet be aware of yet. We are extremely proud of the woman you have become but you will always be our baby girl. We are sure that we will see many more things from you and wish you luck in everything that you desire in life. Congratulations, Charan! We love you very much! From, Mom and Dad*





Ryan T. Smedley, O.D.

Cheyenne, WY
Brigham Young University



Mark A. Snyder, O.D.

Lockport, NY
Oswego State University



Dear Mark,

We are so proud of your accomplishments, the skills and abilities you have achieved and especially all your hard work. As parents, you make us so very proud of the person you are and what you have become, your thoughtfulness and generosity, the goodness and caring which has become so much a part of your daily life. Mark, you are truly a very special person and we feel very blessed to have a son like you. May your life always be filled with God's blessings.

Congratulations!!! We love you with all our heart, Mom & Dad



You can achieve anything when you're focused.

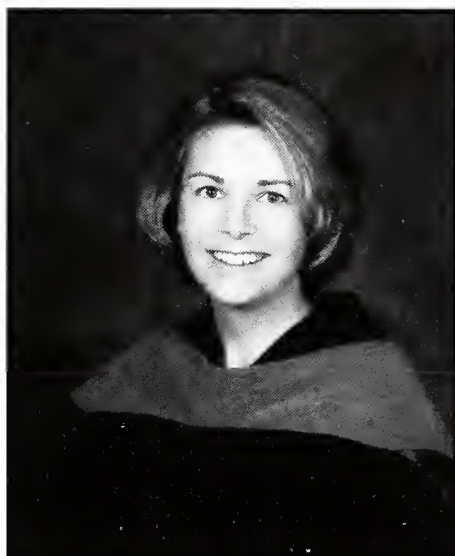


Amy M. Stack, O.D.

Carlisle, MA

Syracuse University

AOSA, CL Society, COVD, COA, SVOSH
Private Practice Club, Mentoring, Running Club



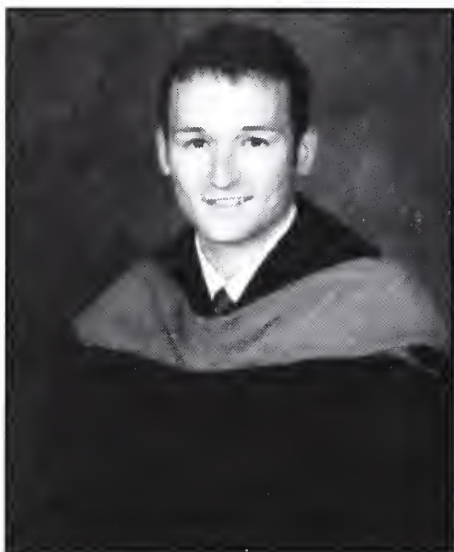
Gina Marie Stalboerger, O.D.

Rochester, MN/Albert City, IA

University of South Dakota, Vermillion

AOSA, CL Society, Beta Sigma Kappa





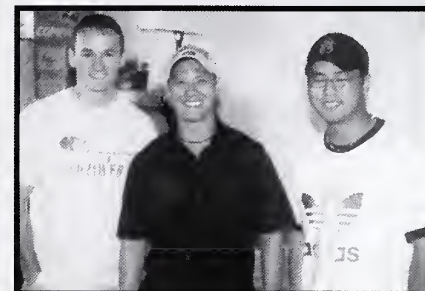
Brandon G. Stalzer, O.D.

Melbourne, IA
 Univeristy of Iowa
 Beta Sigma Kappa, Tomb & Key
 AOSA, CL Societry, AOA-PAC

To our Son, Dr. Brandon Glen Stalzer,
 From the time you were very young you were always a focused person. You were never afraid to challenge yourself and knew exactly what it took to achieve your goals.

We remember how inspired you were to meet Daniel "Rudy" Ruettiger. He signed your book: To Brandon - "Keep Your Dreams" and you have accomplished that. One of his quotes from his book states: "Prepare yourself with the knowledge to reach your dream." Due to your determined efforts, your dream has come true! Throughout your life you have been blessed with numerous honors but, you have remained extremely humble; to which is very admirable. Your drive to accomplish your dreams has always set you apart from others, but as you are receiving your doctorate degree we hope you know how very proud we are of you! Your hard work and perseverance has paid off.

Proudly, Mom and Dad



Jennifer Switak, O.D.

Lockport, IL
 Illinois State University
 Private Practice Club, CL Society, Big Brother/
 Big Sister Program, Dean's List



FABULOUS!

Dear Jennifer,

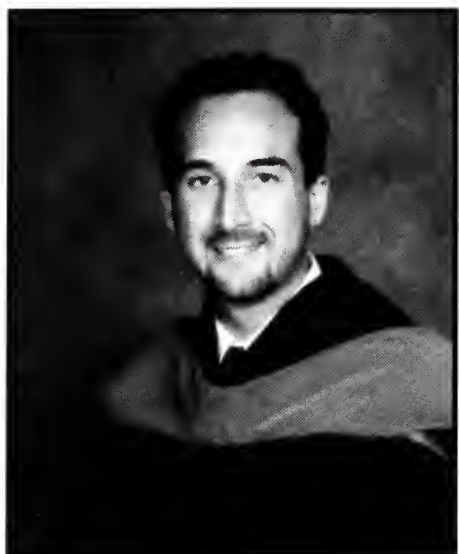
You had a dream and you accomplished it. Our entire family admires your hard work, dedication and achievements. You have our total support and love in all your future endeavors. We thank you for all the happiness you have given us. You are a very special person, as all your future patients will see. The field of Optometry is gaining a doctor that will be an excellent asset to the profession. May your future bring you all the good health, happiness and success you so much deserve. **YOU ARE OUR HERO AND WE ARE PROUD OF YOU.**

Congratulations on your graduation, Doctor!!!

The proud parents of Jennifer R. Switak

Love, Mom & Dad, Bob & Sharon Switak





Robert M. Szypczak, O.D.

Munster, IN

Indiana University - Bloomington

Private Practice Club, Intramural Sport All Star

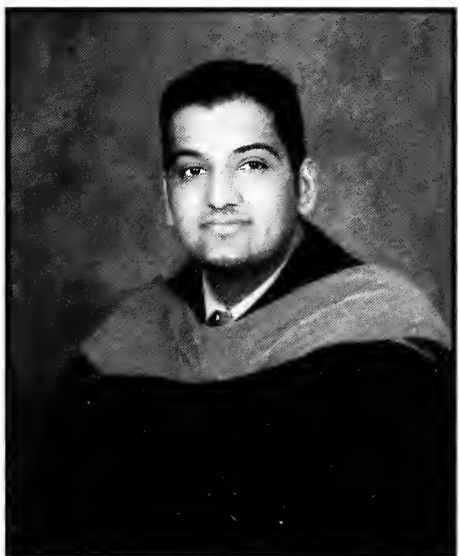


Dear Robert,

Graduation is a time for feeling very proud, for thinking lots of lovely thoughts and saying them out loud! It's a time for feeling love about to overflow, and just before it leaps its banks, to let the loved one know. And so we're very "proud" of you!

For being who you are, for making something of yourself, for making it this far. We're proud because we are a part of everything you do! This time is the time to say how much... We are very proud of all you do...

Love, Mom & Dad



Sukhdeep S. Takher, O.D.

Yuba City, CA

University of California - Davis

AOSA, AOA-PAC, California Club

Private Practice Club, CL Society



Congratulations Sukh! You have made us all very proud with your achievements. We wish you the best down the long journey of life. Overcoming your obstacles and taking your challenges head on is what has made you what you are today. We are gratified by your endeavors and perseverance to become a successful Optometrist. It has been too quiet here at home, so hurry back and help Dad in the farm. We know you can't last in the city too long! Come on home farmer boy! Love, Mom, Dad, Joe and Muna!





Rasa Tamulavichus, O.D.

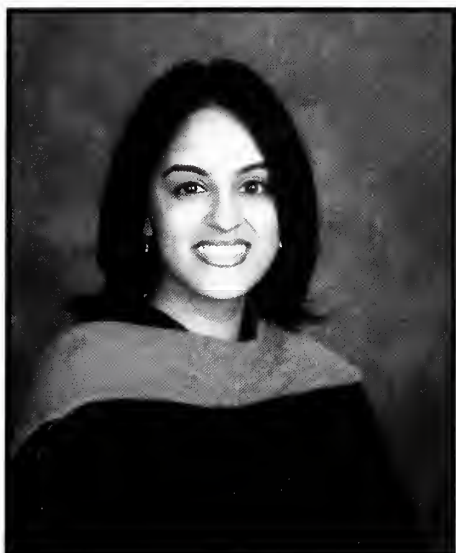
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Kristel R. Taubert, O.D.

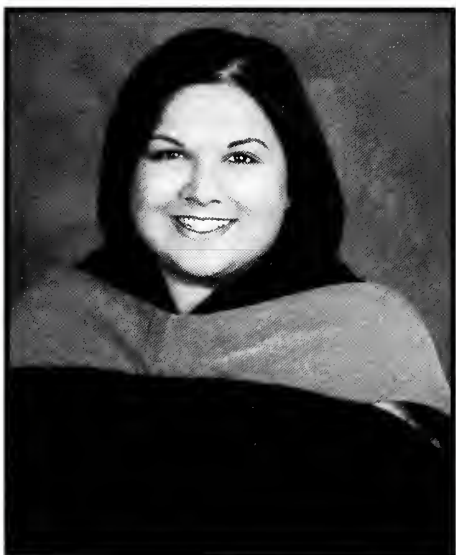
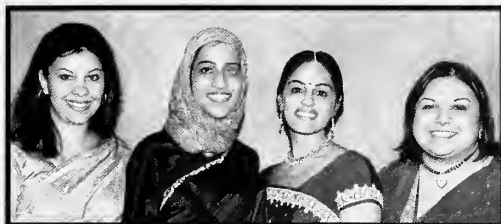
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Grishma Thakkar, O.D.

Hoffman Estates, IL
Benedictine University



Nita K. Thakor, O.D.

Lake City, FL
University of Florida
CL Society, AOSA, Multicultural Association



Thanks to my family and friends for the wonderful support over the years. Special thanks to my mom and dad who taught me there are no set boundaries in life.
Love, Nita





Sylvia S. Thoman, O.D.

Strongsville, OH
Northern Illinois University
AOSA, CL society

Last Day of Finals.....EVER!!!



*Chris and I on
our wedding day*



Michelle L. Theesfeld, O.D.

Peoria, IL
University of Iowa
CLSociety, AOSA



Dear Michelle,

You have achieved your career goal of becoming an optometrist through determination, perseverance, and an "I can" attitude - those same traits shown in your early childhood as you spent numerous, strenuous hours training for a career as an accomplished gymnast like Mary Lou Retton. However, During your eighth grade year, you --strongly influenced by Dr. Gary Lasken--became fascinated by optometry as an incredible career choice -- offering a lifetime of intrinsic satisfaction!

Yes, Michelle, you have accomplished something special, and it is only just the start; You've shown that you have persistence, lots of spirit, lots of heart;

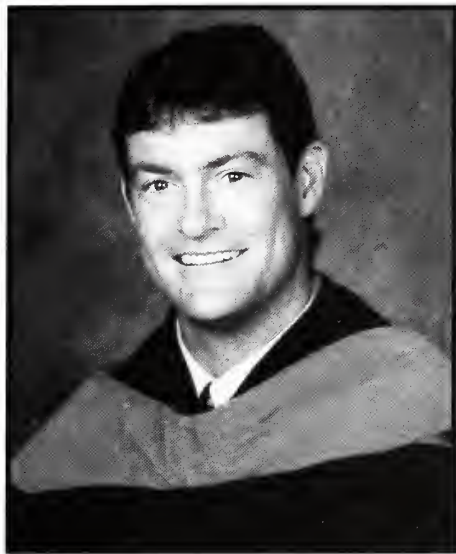
You have shown what you are made of -- and you know what you can do;

Within you there is all you need to make your dreams come true!

We are extremely proud of you, Michelle! Congratulations on achieving your goal!

*Love,
Mom and Dad*

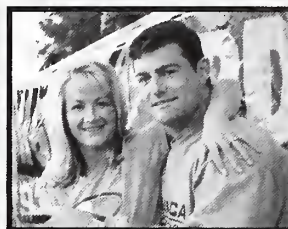




Jeffrey M. Thompson, O.D.

Houghton Lake, MI
 Central Michigan University
 CL Society, AOA, MI Optometric Association

Congratulations! You did it! We are extremely proud of you! I know I speak for our entire family with this congratulatory message. We are all aware of not only your hard work and determination, but also of the huge amount of sacrifices that you & Randi made in order for you to become an optometrist. There were many! You sold your boat, left your Grand Rapids



home & friends, mixed family occasions and did without many "extras." Surely, it will all be worth it when you see your name on the sign at your office, Jeffrey M. Thompson, O.D. I know also that your Great Grandfather Thompson and all your other grandparents are smiling down, and are as proud as we all are! You and Randi enjoy your success, as you certainly have earned it!
 With Love & Pride, Mom and Dad

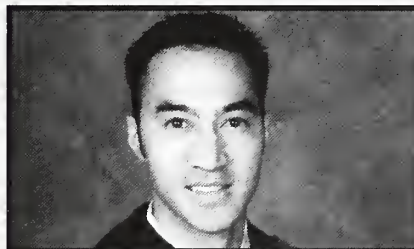


Andrew K. To, O.D.

Houston, TX
 University of Houston
 AOSA, CL Society, Student Technology Advisory Group

To my fellow classmates, I've enjoyed meeting you all and it's been a great experience these past four years. To my family and friends, thank you for all your support and understanding. To Vicky, thank you for always being there for me. You are the best!

~Andrew



LOVE, your visually-challenged family,
 Dad, Mom, Angela, Lindy, Joann and Annie

Andrew, we love you very much and we're so proud of you! No matter where you practice and what you decide to do, we hope that it brings you closer to Texas and us. We've missed you tremendously since you've been away at school and can't wait to see you more often. You have always unselfishly helped the family, and it



surprises no one that you chose a profession where you continue to serve and help others. As you begin your career, remember Mother Teresa who said, "Never worry about numbers. Help one person at a time, and always start with the person nearest you."

We're so excited for you (and for us). We can't wait to make an appointment with you, Dr. Andrew! Congratulations!!!



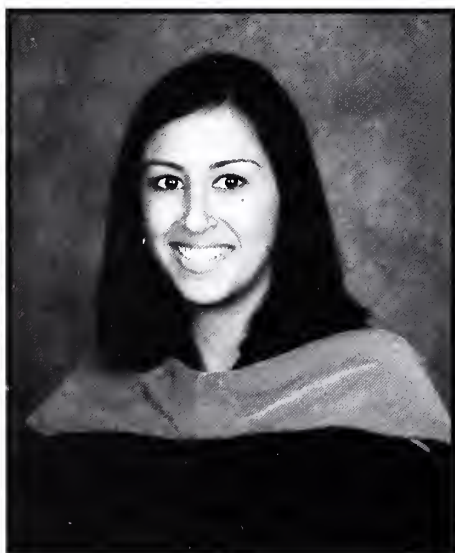
Thu T. To, O.D.

Casper, WY & Bloomington, MN
University of MN-Morris & Twin Cities
Mentor Program, CL Society, AOSA

When Thu was only a couple of months old, our family left Vietnam to begin a new life in the United States. During the journey, Thu became very ill and we did not know if she would live. But faith and luck kept her alive. Ever since then, she has tried her best and we are so happy and proud! We know that you will keep on trying your best while helping those around you. All our love & hope, Mom & Dad



Without the love, support & encouragement of my dear family & friends, I would not have accomplished this tremendous achievement. Thanks you all so much for making this dream come true. With all my love, Thu



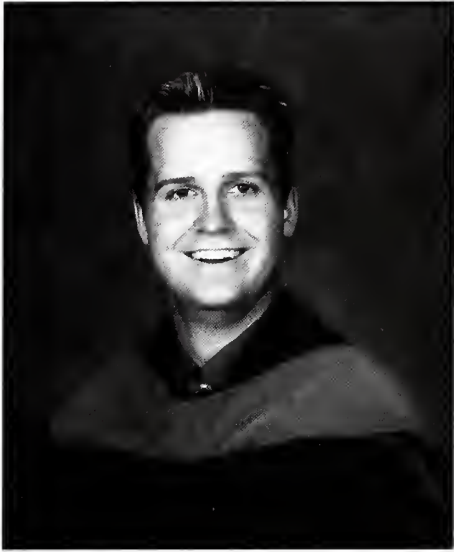
Shailja Toor, O.D.

Windsor, ON
University of Windsor
AOSA, CL Society, Yearbook, Multicultural Association

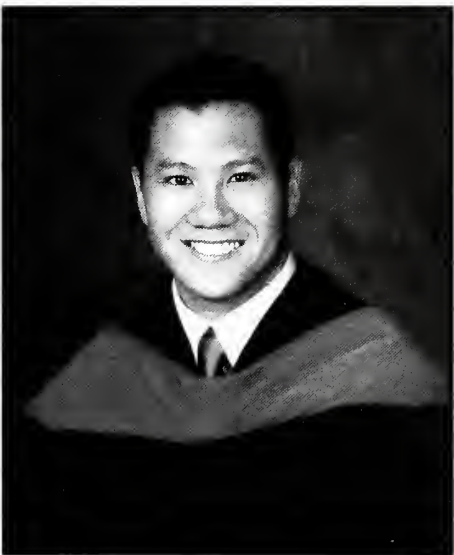
*Curious and eager to embark on new adventures
Open-minded, as well as free,
Naturally talented and intelligent,
Gifted and truly genuine,
Ready and willing,
Advancing in life,
Totally lovable,
Shailja, our sweet daughter....*



We are very proud of you. For being who you are, for making something of yourself. Your graduation means so much to us. Enjoy the day and bask in its bright sun. The honor is yours, but we'll all share in the fun. Always & forever love, Mom & Dad



Jeffrey A. Topolewski, O.D.



Michael T. Tran, O.D.





Binh L. Trang, O.D.
 Springfield, VA
 Loyola University, Chicago
 AOSA

*Congratulations Class of 2004!
 ~ Binh*



*All these years of hard work have finally paid off. We are so proud of you and love you very much! Congratulations!!
 Love,
 Mom, Dad, Bao, David, Thanh, Larry and Jasmin (and Tyson and Oscar too!)*



Alla Troychanskaya, O.D.
 Chicago, IL
 De Paul University
 AOA, Contact Lens and Cornea Section, BSK



Grand Lux Cafe: Celebrating successful completion of NBEO I





Natalie K. Tunin McAbee, O.D.

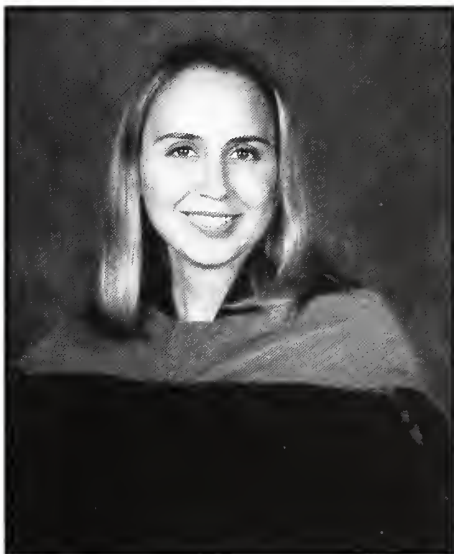
Fort Worth, TX
University of North Texas
AOSA, CL Society, COVD



So few people actually listen to God for their calling! Of all who do listen, even fewer actually put forth the effort involved in attaining that goal. We are so proud that you have pressed on towards the goal that Christ Jesus has called you to. You are blessed to be able to do what you love and love what you do. We will love you always and look forward to being with you as you meet your calling headfirst! We are so proud of you. Love, Mom, Pop & Chris



To my husband, Chris, who supports me with his whole heart, I love you more with each day. To my mom & dad who encouraged me every step of the way. You have taught me about Jesus Christ, to love & live. I love you both. To my friends, y'all are the best! I love you all and couldn't have done it without you. Love, Natalie



Stacy A. Twenhafel, O.D.

Champaign, IL
University of Illinois at Champaign - Urbana



Dear Stacy, You finally made it. We know it has been a long haul. Along the way you have worked hard and made many sacrifices. We are sure that they will all be worth it as you start your new career as an Optometrist. We have always known that you were someone special. We had great hopes for you and your hard work has made our hopes come true. We cannot begin to tell you how proud we are of you. We send our heartfelt congratulations and hopes for your happiness. From, Your Loving Family!





Helen Tzanetakos, O.D.

Highland, IN
Loyola University



Dear Helen,

You have reached your goal after all those years of dedication and hard work. Your accomplishment and person you have become has made all of us very proud.

We wish you the best as you begin your life long career.

Congratulations Dr. Helen Tzanetakos

Love, Mom, Dad, Tommy and Danny



Rae Ann Sarno Ulangca, O.D.

Los Angeles, CA
Manila Central University
OEP, AOSA

Dearest Raes,

When we began this journey four years ago, some doubted our choice. Today they celebrate our faith. Your courage and determination to fulfill God's calling to be a Christian optometrist has touched many hearts and converted many doubters into believers. What a powerful witness you are for Jesus!

As we celebrate ten wonderful years of marriage and two of the best sons, Randall and Richard, that any parent could hope to have, I praise God for you! Thanks for being a loving and responsible wife and mom to us, even under the strain of your studies. We couldn't have asked for more.

Congratulations, Doctor, on finishing the course! Now as you go forth to serve God and humanity, may you be confident "that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." (Philippians 1:6, NIV)

Love Forevermore
Ramon



The first winter at ICO
Diane Nhan and Rae Ann Ulangca



The Ulangca Family
Ramon & Rae Ann
Richard & Randall



Scott Unger, O.D.

Wabash, IN

Taylor University

AOSA, CL Society, NBEO site coordinator, Clinical and Academic Tutor, IM Basketball/Football



Kelly N Van Haaften, O.D.

Pella, IA

Northwestern College

SA class rep, SA secretary, Gold Key International Optometric Honor Society Vice Pres, Tomb and Key Honor Society, BSK Honor Society, AAO, COVD



Congratulations on your graduation! We are proud of all your accomplishments. We hope and pray that you will always remember to put your trust in the Lord.

Love, Dad and Mom



Congratulations everyone...we made it! I am so proud of everything that we have accomplished together!

*To my family - thank you for all of your love and encouragement.
To my friends - thank you for all of the fun and crazy memories we have together. I will never forget you!*

Best wishes and may all your dreams come true!



Emily M. Walck, O.D.

Oneida, IL
 Eastern Illinois University
 FCO, AOSA

Emily,
 Congratulations to the first doctor in our family! We are so proud of the choices you have made for your life and of the character you have shown in making your dreams a reality. We know you have worked hard and sacrificed in many areas of your life to get this far on your road to success. A road that may have been difficult and lonely at times but a road you have not travelled alone. Enjoy the sweet satisfaction of this moment of achievement. Now that you have arrived at this milestone, the future hold unlimited potential for you as far as the eye can see - assuming, of course, that any glasses being worn have the proper Rx to correct any refractive error in the eyes as prescribed by an eminently qualified doctor of optometry such as yourself!

With our deepest love and greatest respect,
 Mom and Dad



"I didn't graduate magnum cum laude; I graduated thank the Lawdy!"

U.S. Senator Alan Simpson of WY



Danielle Faye Warren, O.D.

Rockford, MI
 Grand Valley State University
 CL society, COVD, Notetaker, AOSA, yearbook staff,
 Gold Key Honor Society, BSK

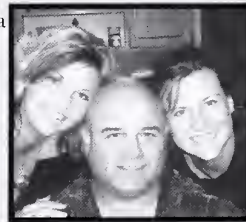


Danielle was very independent at an early age; she always had to do things for herself, always displaying a positive attitude and always being happy. She is very curious and likes to learn new things as well. Danielle is self-motivated and has gone well beyond all expectations that we could have hoped for. As for most people Danielle has had her share of up's and down's but she is very resilient, flexible and resourceful so she has persevered through her tough times. As Danielle's parents we are more than pleased with her development, her education and career choice. We were surprised when she decided to go to Chicago to do her graduate studies when she could have stayed at home, but again it shows Danielle's independence and willingness to take a chance on seeing and doing new things and learning new cultures.

As Danielle's parents we are both very proud of her and we let everybody know that. We know that when she sets a goal she will tackle it and succeed, as she has showed us she is capable of making the Dean's list not once but several times. Danielle will do well in life because she is a hard working person who does not ask for anything, who will go the extra mile and make the sacrifice



needed to get things done. She is a wonderful person who is caring, kind and giving. We hope the best for Danielle and that life will reward her as she has rewarded us with her smile, kindness, and success and in being a wonderful child to us.



All our love, Mom & Dad



Crystal S. Wong, O.D.

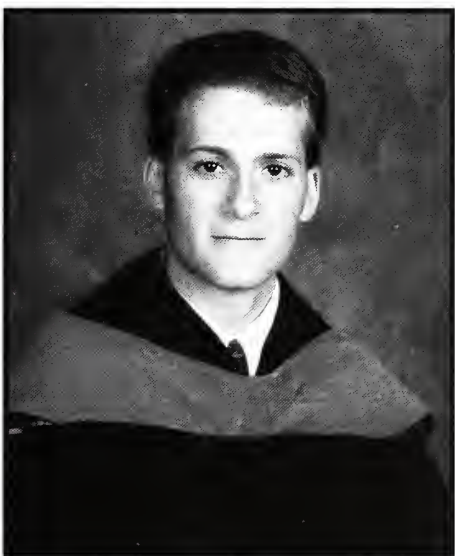
1979: Crystal, 2 years old by
Chicago's Lincon Park Zoo



May 2001: Good friends
enjoying lunch after 1st year
of finals



October 2002: Crystal and
Logan. A day trip to Madison,
WI during 3rd year



Steven R. Woodruff, O.D.





Heewon Yang, O.D.

Seattle, WA
 University of Washington
 AAO, AOSA, AOA, CL Society
 Note Service, WPOA



To My Lovely Daughter,
 Your mother and I first
 give thanks to God for you
 have successfully achieved
 your goal after conquering
 many challenges. We
 believe that you will be a
 wonderful doctor who
 shares love with others
 who need you. We are
 especially excited that the
 family will be reuniting
 after a long separation. We
 are also looking forward to

seeing the world with our daughters as we've always dreamed. You are the pride
 and joy of our family and we pray that God will continue to bless you. Congratula-
 tions to our daughter Heewon!

-With all our love, Mother and Father



Shria M. Zipperstein, O.D.

Dear Shira, With all our love we want to congratulate you not merely
 on your graduation but on all you have accomplished over these years.
 With pride and love in our hearts we look forward to your future.
 May it be bright with love, health, happiness and success, for tomor-
 row holds the promise of the wonderful person you will be and the
 talent and ambition that you have yet to use. May god's guidance and
 blessing always accompany you wherever you go and whatever you
 do.

Love Ema, Eric, Eddie, Dana, Sisi, David, Kayla, Ari and Malka

I apologize to the following people for not getting their pictures in the appropriate spaces. These pictures "appeared" after your pages were already sent to be processed.....and so instead of having to stop the line you get two grad pages....

Shasha Narayan



Laura Fredrick, O.D.

Scarborough, Ontario, Canada
University of Western Ontario
SVOSH, BSK., Tomb and Key Society, AOSA, CAOS,
Notetaker



We finally made it! I would like to thank my parents for all their support and God for helping me to reach my goal of becoming a doctor

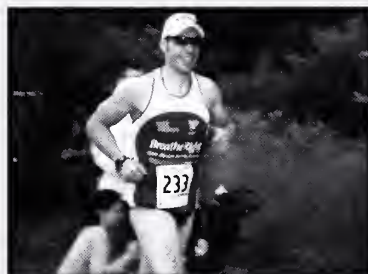
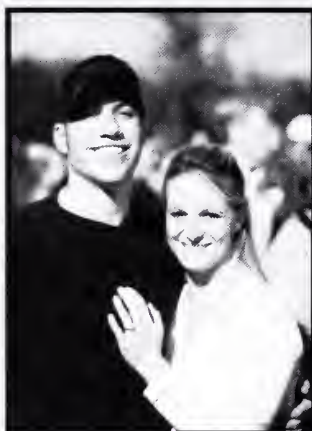
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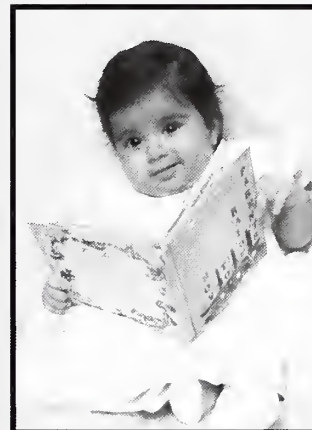
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I would like to thank the Lord Jesus Christ and my loving wife Jenn for helping me see what's truly important in life. Thanks also to Chicago for introducing me to Triathlons.

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Dream what you want to dream, go where you want to go, be who you want to be but remember to enjoy every step of life's journey. I want to thank my family and friends for allowing me and supporting me in following my dreams. This journey would never have been possible without you. More importantly this journey would have been meaningless without you all. Thanks for the love, support, laughs and priceless memories...I love you all.

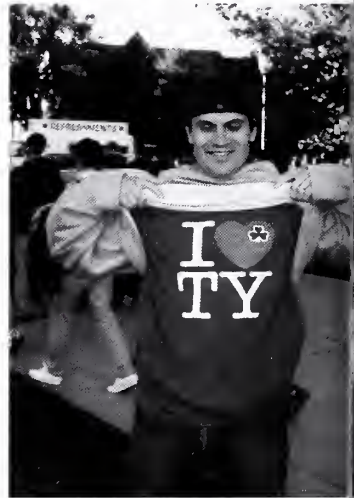
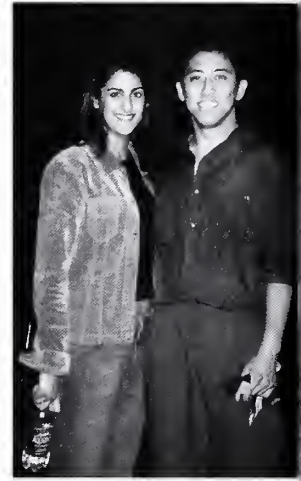




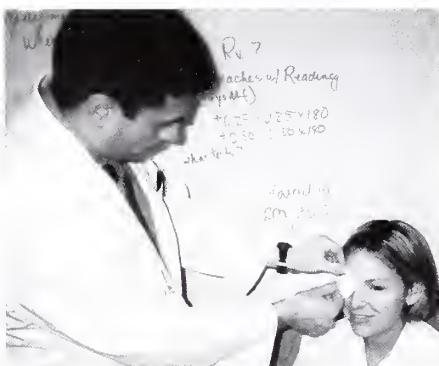
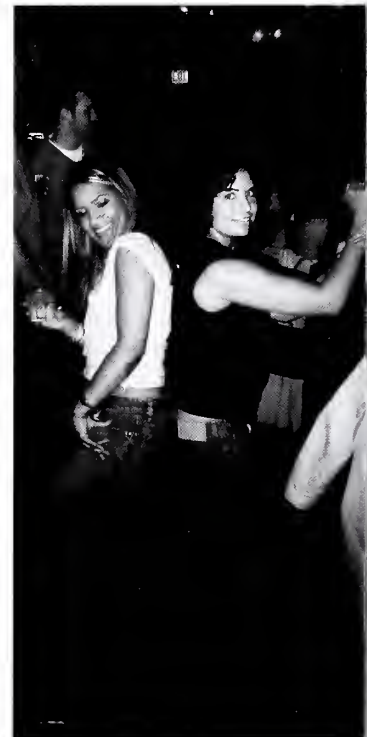














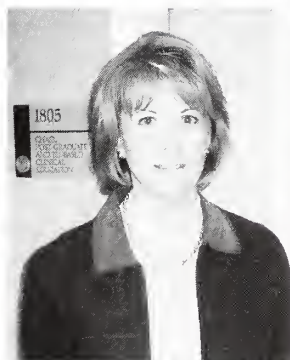
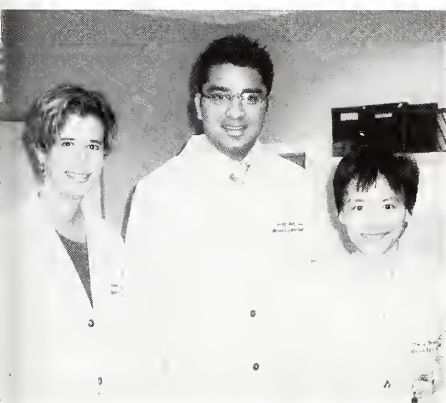
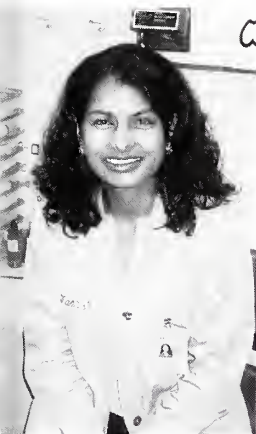
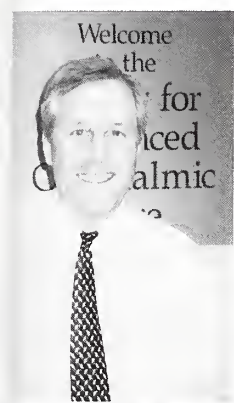


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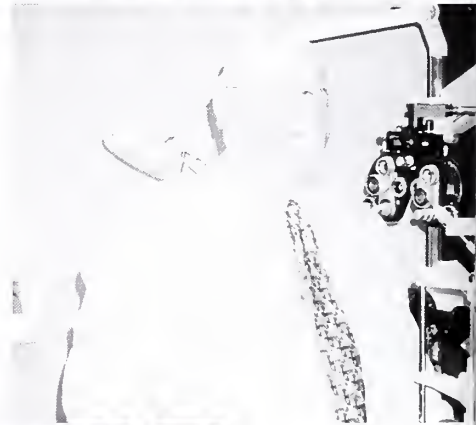
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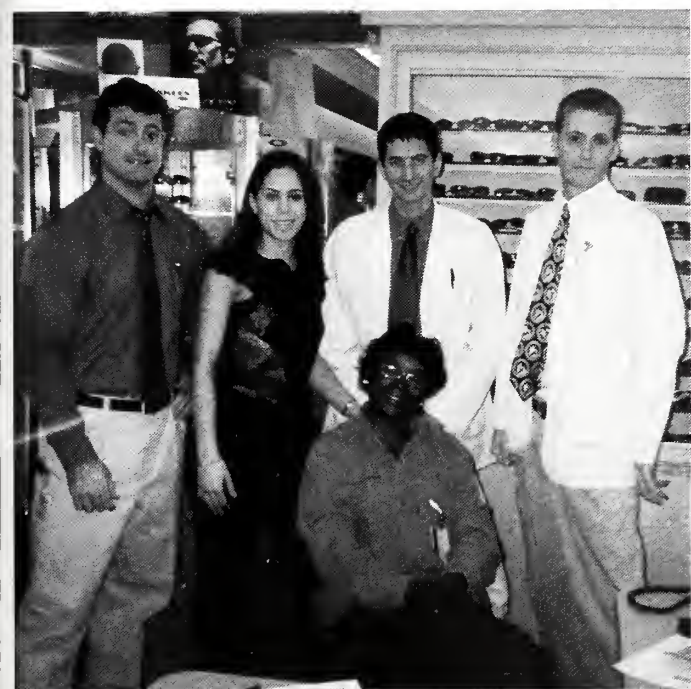
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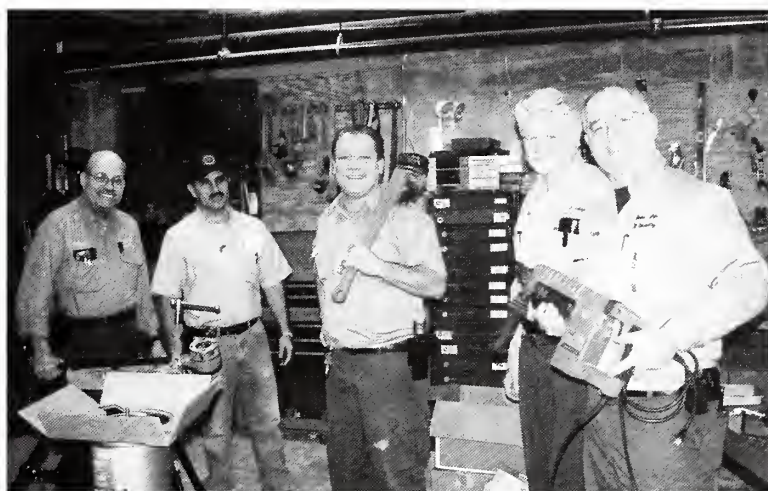
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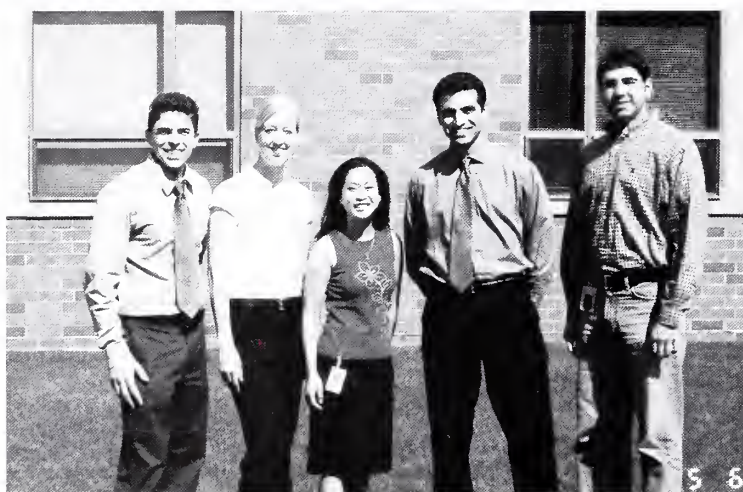


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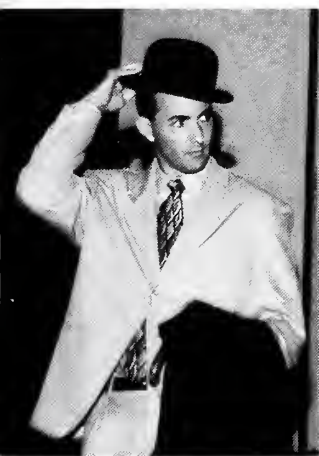
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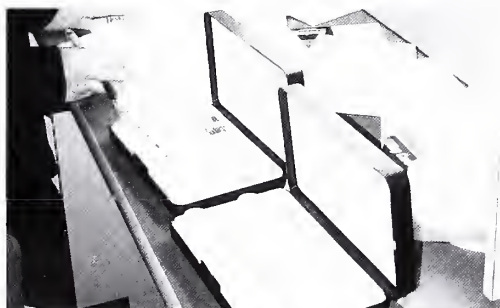
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Contact Lens Workshops (below)



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Tomb and Key and Gold Key International Optometric Honor Society

Tomb and Key Honor Society

The honorary society extends membership invitations to students on the basis of superior scholastic achievement and college leadership. Students with a minimum 3.75 grade point average are eligible for membership after five quarters on campus; after eight quarters those students with a minimum 3.60 average are eligible; and third quarter, fourth professional year students are eligible with a minimum of 3.40 average.

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The purpose of this honorary society is to recognize upperclassmen who have demonstrated outstanding professional and ethical attitudes through leadership in their class, college and profession. Membership consists of five percent of the third professional year class and ten percent of the fourth professional year class. All of these candidates are chosen for a lifetime membership.

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Beta Sigma Kappa and Fellowship of Christian Optometrists

Beta Sigma Kappa



This honorary society enlists students who have excellent academic records and who wish to serve the college and community.

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Fellowship of Christian Optometrists (FCO) at ICO is a local chapter of Fellowship of Christian Optometrists International, Inc. FCO International is a mission-orientated non-profit organization through which Christian optometrists have the opportunity to combine their professional skills with sharing about Christianity. FCO at ICO is a local student chapter which meets together on a regular basis to share, worship, pray and plan mission trips. The chapter is a nondenominational group and open to all those interested.

Class of 2004 Members

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Hajira Moinuddin and Rabia Javed

Members: Hajira Moinuddin
Rabia Javed
Amal Hassan

Multicultural Association



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Minister of Activities:
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Mona Patel
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California Club Membership Drive Summer 2002

MENTORING



Special Events

12 Bars!!



Twass two weeks before break,
When all through the school,
Not a student was stirring,
They were all at Deja Vu!!



ICO OLYMPICS AND BLINDSPOTS



1ST YEAR
2ND YEAR





3RD YEAR



BOO Bash





Intramural Sports





International



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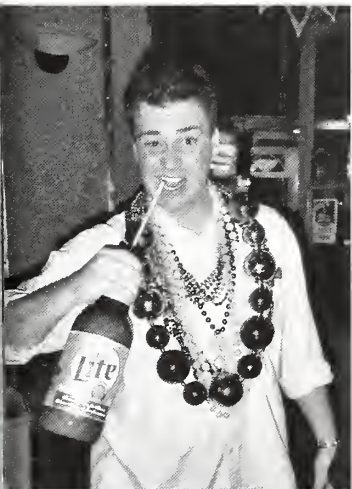
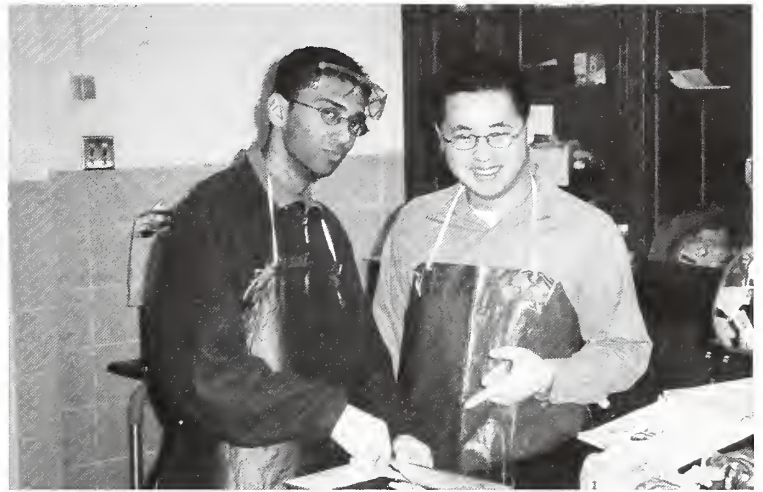
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GOOD FRIENDS ...



GOOD TIMES ...





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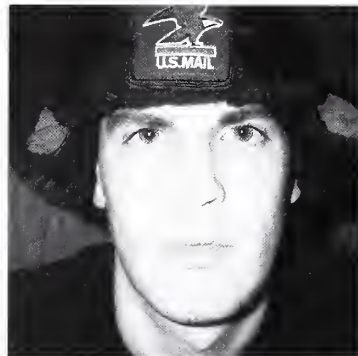
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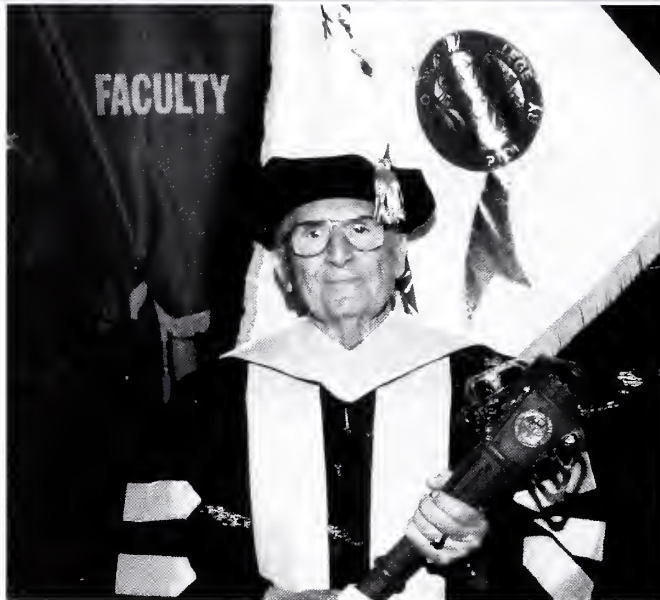


OD Students...



Strike a Pose!





Walter S. Yasko OD, FAAO

1922-2001

"What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us; what we have done for others and the world remains and is immortal."

-Albert Pike



Gregg E. Steele PhD, OD

1964-2001

"How long after you are gone will ripples remain as evidence that you were cast into the pool of life?"

-Grant M. Bright

In memory of those who lost their lives to terrorism.

Did You?

Do you remember how you felt on that September day
Were you scared or frightened or fearful in some way

Did you bargain with God and vow your life to change
Did you think of your priorities and decide to rearrange

What was important in your life and put God at the top
Did you think of your bad habits and promise that you'd stop

Did you go to church that Sunday and vow that you be there
On each Sunday thereafter no matter when or where

Did you think about your family, your husband or your wife

Did you realize how important your kids were in your life

Did you resolve to give them more time and show them that you cared

Did you cry out to God and promise to spend more time in prayer

Now this interval has past and as you look back on that day

And reflect on the time and each day since replay

As you think of the vows you made and promises review

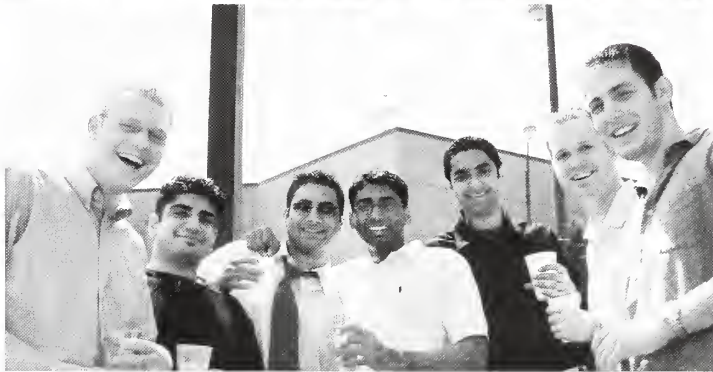
I have one question that I would ask

Did you?

-Sue Ikered

September 11, 2001





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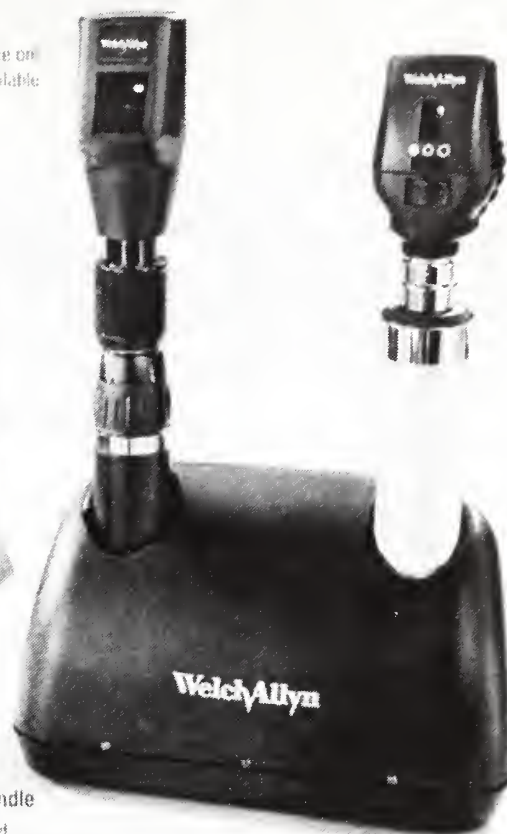


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As the last page of this yearbook is completed the quotation from "A Salutation to the Day" comes to mind.:

*"yesterday is already a dream,
and tomorrow is only a vision,
but today well lived,
makes every yesterday
a dream of happiness,
and every tomorrow
a vision of hope."*

At times this year, rushing to meet deadlines and driving miles between externships, we thought we'd never get to the last page of this yearbook. Nevertheless, we did it!!

Thanks to all the yearbook staff, and special thanks to those dedicated friends who came to our rescue at the end. We regret any errors and omissions but hope we were still able to capture our four memorable years at ICO.

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